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JAPANESE AUTO GIANTS HONDA AND NISSAN TO BEGIN MERGER TALKS

Honda and Nissan have announced plans to join forces that could result in the creation of the world's third-largest automobile company

AIM IS TO ACHIEVE ECONOMIES OF SCALE

Joining forces would help the companies achieve economies of scale to compete with Toyota, Volkswagen and Chinese automakers like BYD. Also, Japanese companies, especially Honda, have lagged behind rivals in electric vehicles (EVs) and are now trying to catch up. Nissan has years of experience building batteries and EVs that could help Honda in developing its own EVs

COMPETITION FROM CHINESE EV MAKERS

- Honda, Nissan and Mitsubishi announced in August that they will share components for electric vehicles like batteries to cut costs | P13
- The talks come at a time when Chinese automakers like BYD, Great Wall and Nio that make relatively affordable EVs are expanding their market shares as the world shifts away from fossil fuel-driven cars

$50 bn

WOULD BE THE MARKET CAPITALISATION OF THE MERGED ENTITY

CHENNAI ▪ MADURAI ▪ VIJAYAWADA ▪ BENGALURU ▪ KOCHI ▪ HYDERABAD ▪ VISAKHAPATNAM ▪ COIMBATORE ▪ KOZHIKODE ▪ THIRUVANANTHAPURAM ▪ BELAGAVI ▪ BHUBANESWAR ▪ SHIVAMOGGA ▪ MANGALURU ▪ TIRUPATI ▪ TIRUCHY ▪ TIRUNELVELI ▪ SAMBALPUR ▪ HUBBALLI ▪ DHARMAPURI ▪ KOTTAYAM ▪ KANNUR ▪ VILLUPURAM ▪ KOLLAM ▪ TADEPALLIGUDEM ▪ NAGAPATTINAM ▪ THRISSUR ▪ KALABURAGI

Now, Dhaka note verbale for Hasina's extradition

Ministry of External Affairs confirms receiving it, offers no comment

BALA CHAUHAN @Bengaluru

BANGLADESH'S interim government said on Monday it had sent a note verbale to India seeking extradition of deposed former prime minister and Awami League head Sheikh Hasina. Hasina, 77, has been living in exile in India after she fled on August 5 following massive student protests over a controversial job quota.

Foreign affairs adviser Touhid Hossain told media persons that they had sent the note verbale asking to send Hasina back for judicial process. It came after Bangladesh's home advisor Jahangir Alam said his office had sent a letter to the foreign ministry to facilitate Hasina's extradition, quoting a prisoner exchange agreement with India "under which it (her extradition) will be carried out".

The Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) confirmed they have received the diplomatic note from Dhaka. "We confirm that we have received a Note Verbale from the Bangladesh High Commission today in connection with an extradition request. At this time, we have no comment to offer on this matter," said MEA spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal.

Speaking to this newspaper, former high commissioners to Bangladesh Veena Sikri (2003-06) and Pinak Ranjan Chakravarty (2007-09) said a "note verbale is not an instrument on which extradition can be sought. Extradition is a very long, detailed process involving the judiciary. Request for extradition comes at the end of the process," they said. "The requesting country has to complete the judicial process of proving the charges against the fugitive leader and convicting her," said Sikri.

She added that the UNHRC (United Nations Human Rights Council) was invited to investigate the charges against Hasina. "The UNHRC team visited Bangladesh twice since August but they were not provided any evidence on the charges of murder, forced disappearance and human rights violations against Hasina," added Sikri. "I'm told that Dhaka has sought Hasina's extradition under a prisoner exchange agreement with India. Hasina is not a prisoner in India. She came here of her own will," the former diplomat pointed out.

India's Extradition Act prescribes separate procedures for handling extradition requests from different countries.

File picture of Sheikh Hasina | PTI

PROBE INTO ALLEGED $5 BN N-POWER SCAM

The interim government has also initiated probe into an alleged $5 billion Rooppur Nuclear Power Plant project scam involving Sheikh Hasina, her son Sajeeb Ahmed Wazed (Joy), and niece Tulip Siddiq | P12

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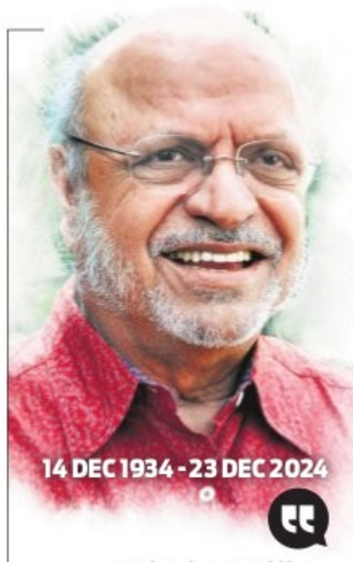

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> **I wonder what I would have become if he hadn't had faith in me when no one else did. He and Nira (his wife) were a huge support in my difficult days. He did whatever he could with his life till the end. Not many people can claim to have done that**
>
> Naseeruddin Shah, actor

He was a leader of leaders

ATUL TIWARI
ACTOR, WRITER

ONE of those who lit the screens of Indian cinema with very meaningful colours and poignant hues left us on Monday. Shyam Benegal is no more. He was 90.

I was fortunate to work with him for almost 35 years. I was comparatively young when he invited me to write on the *Discovery of India* documentary. In the screenplay for an episode on the 1942 Quit India movement, I had included two trains and an elephant though I knew no director could afford two trains in a TV series.

Shyam Babu very politely asked me, "could we go with just one train?" I agreed and cut one scene of a train. As for the other train, he got it made in Film City. It ran on tracks to enable the filming of scenes of how trains were stopped during Gandhiji's movement. The elephant scene was also included. That was the magic of director Benegal.

He always trusted his team. He was a leader of leaders, who never had to command his army. His army of actors, technicians, writers, cameramen etc., were ready to march on one signal because he chose and trained them so well.

Coming from Lucknow during my early days, I invariably used to be late for meetings. One day, he looked at his watch and said, "young man, I don't know about you, but my time is a one-way street. Once it is gone, it's gone. I don't know about you, but this is how it works with me." That was the best way to admonish me. Even in admonishment there was wisdom. He never yelled or screamed unlike many other directors in Mumbai.

Shyam Benegal was a great teacher and a good leader. As his favourite actor Om Puri once said, "In the jungle of Indian cinema there are any number of trees of various kinds. The tallest is Satyajit Ray. And the widest, like the banyan in Calcutta's botanical garden, is Shyam Benegal."

He was the so-called Philosopher's Stone, whose one touch could turn iron into gold. I can only say, "Long live Shyam Babu. You are a story well told."

OUTREACH

PM Narendra Modi offers prayers to Infant Jesus to mark the Christmas festivities at an event hosted by Catholic Bishops' Conference of India, in Delhi on Monday | PTI

Govt schools can fail students of Classes 5 & 8

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @New Delhi

IN a major decision, the Centre has scrapped the 'no-detention policy' for classes 5 and 8 in schools governed by it, which means students will be failed if they do not clear the year-end examinations.

According to a gazette notification, if a student fails to fulfill the promotion criteria, as notified from time to time, he or she shall be given additional instructions and an opportunity for re-examination within two months from the date of declaration of results.

"If the child appearing in the re-examination fails to fulfill the promotion criteria again, he shall be held back in fifth class or eighth class, as the case may be. "During the holding back of the child, the class teacher shall guide the child as well as the parents of the child, if necessary, and provide specialised inputs after identifying the learning gaps at various stages of assessment," the notification said.

It will apply to over 3,000 schools run by the Central government including Kendriya Vidyalayas, Navaodyala Vidyalayas and Sainik Schools.

"Since school education is a state subject, states can make their decision in this regard," an official said.

Ravi-Laxmi episode a closed chapter, says Horatti

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COUNCIL Chairman Basavaraj Horatti on Monday said that the issue of BJP MLC CT Ravi's alleged derogatory remarks against Minister Laxmi Hebbalkar in the House a few days ago, is a closed chapter as they have not lodged any complaint with him regarding breach of their privilege. "As of now, it is a closed chapter as they have not approached me with a complaint. If they (including Ravi) give it in writing, I will consider taking action by the privilege committee," he said.

He said police interference in the alleged spat between Ravi and Hebbalkar during the session in Belagavi is unacceptable. That's why he turned down the police commissioner's move to conduct a 'mahzar' inside the House as it was adjourned sine die. However, he clarified that he would go through the rules and look into previous incidents and take a final call on the issue. P4

Women lawyers can't appear with face veil: J&K HC

FAYAZ WANI @Srinagar

THE Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh High Court has held that women advocates cannot appear before the court with their face covered. Justice Moksha Khajuria Kazmi cited provisions under the Bar Council of India (BCI) while making the observations in the order dated December 13.

The order is related to an incident on November 27 when a woman identifying herself as an advocate named Syed Ainain Qadri refused to remove her veil when Justice Rahul Bharti, who was hearing the case then, asked her to do so. The woman claimed it was her right to appear with face covered, adding the court can't force her to remove the veil.

Following this, Justice Bharti did not entertain her appearance as counsel saying the court was unable to confirm her identity. The bench also warned the petitioners the woman purportedly represented that their case could be dismissed if proper representation was not ensured.

The court then proceeded to adjourn the case to another date and sought a report from the Registrar General on the rules of dress code for lady advocates. The Registrar submitted the report on December 5. After examining the Registrar's report, the court held that the rules prescribed by the Bar Council of India do not mention any such right.

However, the court did not go further into the matter as the lawyer chose not to appear again. Later, another lawyer stepped in to represent the petitioners, whom Justice Kazmi heard before reserving the case for judgment on December 6.

The petition was dismissed on December 13 after the court found there was an alternative remedy available.

EXPRESS READ

9 Ayyappa devotees hurt in cylinder blast

Hubballi: Nine Ayyappa devotees suffered injuries when a gas cylinder exploded at a temporary structure built to offer prayers behind a temple in Hubballi early Monday. Of the injured, the condition of eight is critical and they are being treated in KIMS Hospital. The blast occurred when the devotees were asleep. It is said that one of them accidentally kicked the cylinder, which led to gas leak. As there was a lamp, the leaking cylinder caught fire and exploded. P5

ALMANAC TODAY
Tuesday: 24.12.2024 • Year: Krodhi • Ayana: Dakshinayana
Ritu: Himantha • Masa: Margashira • Paksha: Krishna • Tithi: Navami 6.56 pm
Nakshatra: Hastha 12.14 pm • Moon in Tula Rashi • Rahukaala: 03:00 am to 04:30 am
Gulikakala: 12:00 pm to 01:30 pm • Yamaganda: 09:00 am to 10:30 am

WEATHER | MIN 20°C | MAX 26°C | FORECAST Cloudy

Sunrise 06.38 am | Sunset 06.00 pm | Moonrise 12.56 am | Moonset 01.02 pm

After three years, auto fares likely to be revised

To go up to Rs 40 for first 2 kms, Rs 20 for every subsequent km

AKNISREE KARTHIK @Bengaluru

AUTO fares are likely to be revised from the existing Rs 30 to Rs 40 for the first 2 km and from Rs 15 to Rs 20 for every subsequent kilometre travelled. Auto unions have been demanding a hike in auto fares citing that the operational costs have gone up, along with a steep increase in the prices of essential commodities. While the meeting scheduled to be held by the state transport department along with the auto unions on Monday to discuss the fare revision has been postponed, sources from the transport department maintained that the demand of fare hike is likely to be considered.

Auto unions state that the fares were revised in 2021 and said it is increasingly difficult to operate with the old fares.

Speaking to *TNIE*, Autorickshaw Driver's Union General Secretary Rudra Murthy said, "Operational costs of autos have steadily gone up year after year. Right from the cost of fuel, spare parts, and tyres have gone up increasing the operational cost of autos. However, the auto fares which were revised in 2021, have remained the same."

Adarsh Auto and Taxi Drivers' Union President M Manjunath said, "Costs of all the essential commodities have sky-rocketed. School fees, hospital expenses and every other thing have witnessed hike. How are auto-drivers supposed to run their families? Many are trapped in credit cycle, where they are struggling to pay interest."

Salaries of government and private company employees are revised regularly. Auto drivers solely depend on the meter fare and regular revision of fares in accordance with increasing costs should be considered. Earlier, auto drivers would give Rs 100 every day to their home makers, and save some money. But now, with increasing costs, auto drivers are unable to take care of the needs of their families, Manjunath said.

Rudra Murthy pointed out that the auto fares have been revised in Mangaluru, Udupi and Shivamogga.

"Illegal bike taxi operations have severely affected the auto drivers. The matter of bike taxis is in the High Court. Some auto drivers wish that the fares be revised after the bike taxis are completely banned in the state," he said.

Over 61,000 e-khatas issued: BBMP

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BBMP Chief Commissioner Tushar Girinath issued strict instructions to the officials to dispose of e-khata applications within the time limit in the BBMP jurisdiction.

He said that the corporation has taken a lot of steps to facilitate the citizens in getting e-khata and instructed them to dispose of the applications received for getting e-khata within the respective zone within the time limit.

Munish Moudgil, Special Commissioner, BBMP Revenue Division, said that appropriate steps have been taken regarding issuing e-khata. About 67,000 applications have been received to get the final e-khata, and more than 61,000 e-khatas have been distributed. He informed that the applications are being disposed of within the stipulated time and citizens are being provided with e-khata.

THE DRAIN MAKEOVER

Cleaning under way in an open stormwater drain which is part of the K-10 waterway project connecting Koramangala to Shanthinagar on Monday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

Art of Living breaks six world records

ENS @Bengaluru

SPIRITUAL leader Sri Sri Ravishankar led Art of Living's event -- "World Meditates with Gurudev" has created world record in six categories. It entered the Guinness World Record for the most viewers of a guided meditation live stream on YouTube. The meditation event led by Sri Sri Ravishankar atop World Trade Centre at New York on the first-ever 'World Meditation Day' on December 21, saw 8.5 million people participating online and offline, tuning in from 180 countries.

In the Asia Book of Records, it set a record for the maximum participation from all the states of India in 'Guided Meditation in a Day' and also for the maximum nationalities who participated in 'Guided Meditation in a Day'. In the World Records Union, the event set the record for the most views for an online guided meditation in 24 hours on YouTube.

Workers' union opposes scrapping of welfare laws

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THE Karnataka State Construction Workers Central Union on Monday strongly opposed the central government's decision to cancel the Building and Other Construction Workers Act, 1996, which governs the employment and working conditions of construction workers in India.

Union leaders, including President NA Samy and General Secretary Leelavathi S, demanded the reinstatement of the BOCW Act and urged the government to maintain separate sectoral welfare boards. To further press their demands, the union announced a state-level convention on Thursday, at Town Hall.

The union criticised the transfer of welfare benefits to the e-Shram portal, a database of unorganised workers that was developed by the Ministry of Labour and Employment, warning that this move threatens the livelihood and security of millions of unorganised workers.

KSCWCU, representing over 84,800 workers, told that scrapping welfare boards would stop benefits like pensions and Employees' State Insurance. They also fear 1.5 lakh crore collected under the BOCW Building and Other Construction Workers (BOCW) Act could be misused, leaving workers uncertain.

Pothole-ridden roads, overflowing sewage irk Kothanur residents

RITIKA MITRA @Bengaluru

POTHOLE-ridden roads, clogged drains, overflowing raw sewage, foul odours from open drains, and rising pollution have become a daily nightmare for hundreds of residents in Kothanur, located in the Horamavu ward of KR Puram assembly constituency in Mahadevapura zone under the BBMP.

Besides, unfinished construction material litter the road, thus causing frequent traffic congestion. Narrow, pothole-ridden roads, combined with waterlogging during rains, pose a daily hazard for pedestrians and two-wheeler riders, particularly college students. Despite escalating the issue to ward engineers and elected representatives, residents claim their pleas have been ignored for the last three years.

Residents also claim that, every time BBMP takes up pothole filling works, they resurface in no time, thus exposing the quality of work. "The roads in my area are in terrible shape. Potholes and waterlogging during rains makes commuting extremely risky. Despite repeated complaints, no action has been taken," said Varkhey Thomas, a resident of Horamavu.

Umesh Babu, another resident, told *TNIE*, "Kothanur's issues remain unresolved with no elections held for BBMP. Residents are left without proper public administration or accountability."

Besides, the situation has also worsened air quality, with dust from construction debris and vehicle emissions adding to pollution. Residents report increasing cases of respiratory problems and allergies, further amplifying their concerns.

BBMP officials responded to growing concerns, stating that action would be taken. "We are aware of the difficulties faced by residents in Kothanur and Horamavu. Developmental works have begun, and pothole filling will commence systematically," stated Channabasappa M, BBMP executive engineer of KR Pura sub-division. He also assured to warn people from dumping debris by the road and footpaths.

While promises have been made, residents remain sceptical, urging authorities to take swift action and ensure sustainable urban development in Kothanur.

ARKAVATHY LAYOUT

Four ex-defence men await alternative sites

S LALITHA @Bengaluru

FOUR former defence personnel were allotted sites in Byrathikhane village of Bangalore Development Authority's Arkavathy Layout in 2006. With their sites in 18th Block of the layout handed over to landlosers over the years, they are yet to be given alternative sites. One of them has passed away while the other three, all senior citizens, are knocking on all doors to ensure they get to see their sites in their lifetime.

Present and former defence personnel fall under a special quota for BDA sites, but this special treatment ends after allotment is completed, and they have to fight their battles alone.

M Kumaran, a non-commissioned officer in the Indian Army, was allotted a site measuring 12x18 sqm (40x60 sqft) in 2006, in the first round in Block 18. He paid the full sum of Rs 5.6 lakh too. A few years later, it was allotted to the original landowner. "My original site number was 101. My new site number is 117. I want to build a house. However, I haven't got new papers for the new site. BDA needs to make some changes in the layout plan. I have been trying to get hold of the documents for over two years so I can get plan approval from the Town Planning department," he said.

NO SITES IN ARKAVATHY LAYOUT

It is not just defence personnel but nearly 3,000 site allottees who have lost their sites due to the redo process. We have begun the process of allotting sites in Kempe Gowda Layout as sites are not available in Arkavathy Layout. It is up to the landlosers to accept it. We can return the extra money collected for marginal land. The option of returning money collected from them for their sites too can be explored. N Jayaram, BDA Chairman

MN Rajanna wanted a 40x60 sqft site in Anjanapura Layout, but failed to get it. "I got it at Byrathikhane in Arkavathy Layout for Rs 4.5 lakh. Later, I was told to pay an additional Rs 5.75 lakh for the marginal land located near my site. I got the sale deed and khata in 2014. I pay property tax and maintenance regularly," he explained. He later understood that the original site number 140 was changed to BK-132. I approached the Justice Keshava Narayan Committee and then site 105 was allotted to me." He still awaits the right documents.

He added that another site allottee, M Narayanappa, died waiting for an alternative site. "His son N Nayan is now struggling to get it allotted to the family," he said.

Govind Reddy, former Air Force personnel, approached the High Court and Lokayukta in connection with his 60x40 sqft site allotted in 2006.

"Apart from the original cost of site, I paid Rs 5.75 lakh in 2017 for extra land they wanted me to buy in the layout. I don't want an alternative site BDA is offering. I am a senior citizen and if I reside in Arkavathy Layout, it would be closer to the Army hospital in Jalahalli," he said.

EXPRESS READ

Vijaya Bharthi Vidyalaya hosts Fit India Week

Bengaluru: Vijaya Bharthi Vidyalaya is hosting Fit India Week 2024 from December 23-28. The event was attended by Basavanagudi MLA Ravi Subramanyam, Sports Authority of India's Regional Director Vishnu Sudhakaranji, and Deputy Director P Harish Babu. MLA Ravi Subramanyam highlighted job opportunities in the Army, Police Department, and Indian Navy through sports quotas, while Vishnu Sudhakaranji stressed the importance of maintaining a balance between cultural, academic, and sports activities. The secretary of Vijayabharathi Vidyalaya declared the FIT India sports event open.

President of Janatha Co-operative Bank Ltd CM Marigowda, vice-president Arvind D, CEO Vinodha Shivaramaiah and other directors release the bank's calendar for 2025.

HAL observes 85th Foundation Day

Bengaluru: HAL observed its 85th Foundation Day here on Monday, the first after achieving the Maharatna status with a number of former CMDs, Directors, CEOs, and others participating in a celebration that focused on the way forward and on how to sustain the growth. Chief Guest MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar in his message traced the history of the company since its foundation by Walchand Hirachand in 1940, and urged HAL carry on the legacy of excellence in developing the defence ecosystem of the country. A commemorative book titled 'Flights of Inspiration, HAL's Maharatna Story' was released on the occasion, according to a release from HAL. Dr D K Sunil, CMD, HAL gave a brief presentation on HAL's future ambitions that would propel HAL to the global stage through strategic internal transformation initiatives.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

24TH December: It's an Aquarian day. In plain language this means that, no matter what our individual signs, we need to think new thoughts, act in ways that we have never acted before, and generally try to make the world a better place. It's time to do our bit to save the planet!

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
The Sun may still be in a constructive relationship with Uranus, planet of radical change, but the Moon is getting different ideas. The wise Arien will anticipate shocks, surprises and altered arrangements, mainly because friends are feeling the strain.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
Venus, your planetary ruler, is soon to move from a sensible region to an eccentric one, signifying a change in your mood which should become clear by the beginning of next week. You must therefore use the next few days to tie up all emotional loose ends.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
It's quite a sociable day. Rather than giving other people the brush-off, how about listening to their words of wisdom? Everyone, no matter how boring or bizarre, has a story to tell. If your sights lie overseas, then you're about to find that a major ambition is soon to take a major leap forward.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
The Sun's lingering relationship with Uranus advises you to make the most of anything that friends have to offer. On the other hand, you must recognise that not everyone in your family will approve of, or support, your outside involvements. But, then, that is a risk you have to take!

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
Keep an eye on your physical well-being. This is a positive time to take concerted action to clean up your diet and take more exercise. If you feel that it is also time to unload a number of responsibilities, then so be it. If you don't make the first move soon, a partner certainly will!

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
Keep an eye on financial matters. There's no real possibility of major change, either for better or for worse, but you will save yourself a little grief later on if you take elementary precautions, now. The point is, surely, that other people have no right to force your hand.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
It's difficult to pinpoint the truly significant planetary aspects for you today, which may mean that you're going through one of those times when your mood may change quite rapidly and when you must deal with all sorts of radically different events.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
Prudence and determination are probably your best qualities at the moment. In other words, press ahead with all important and necessary tasks, but don't take risks. This is a time for certainty, not confusion. Actually, charitable work may be a wonderful way of using your energy positively.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
The Moon is looking pretty tough, so you can be reassured on a number of scores. Relations with children and lovers should be good, although the only cloud on the horizon may involve - you guessed it - money. Watch out for smooth-talking sales people and take their words with a pinch of salt.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
Family affairs are important, even for those of you preoccupied with professional ambitions. Love, affection and emotional stability are crucial to your happiness and worldly success right now. That's the simple reason why you should stick close to home and keep your sights on practical goals.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
The Moon is aligned with a lively region of your chart and is obliging you to explain yourself properly. You may feel rather emotional about a number of personal topics, and you may imagine your rights are being infringed, but this will do you no good if other people are waiting to hear the facts.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
The Sun, now well and truly in an intense relationship with your solar chart, indicates that all you lucky Pisceans have just had, or are about to have, reason to celebrate. This is an astrologically significant moment and it's important that you start your new personal cycle on the right foot.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle ⬇

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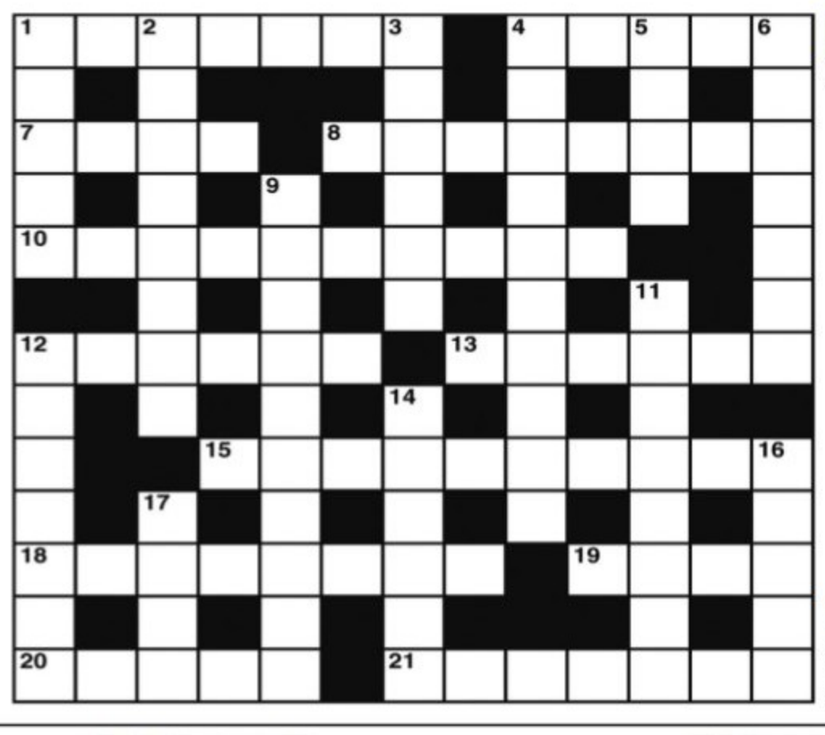
SUDOKU EVIL

TEST YOUR NUMBER CRUNCHING SKILL WITH OUR UNIQUE PUZZLE

Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.



CROSS WORD

ACROSS
1 Wild leopard let out (7)
4 In the air a place for pigeons (5)
7 Capable of scheming (2,2)
8 Started on the green and accelerated away (5,3)
10 Flirts and is captivated by her lips perhaps (10)
12 Composer taken outside about a quarrel (6)
13 Score less than a hundred (6)
15 I'll repeat what was said for those who can't read (10)
18 Mentally ill, needs new routine before cure starts (8)
19 Dry sherry and a bit of fish - nothing more (4)
20 It has been known to be tickled to death (5)
21 Green damaged after record stand (7)

DOWN
1 Suddenly drop round (5)
2 Retire an infirm old family servant (8)
3 Ridicule made clear in a letter (6)
4 Publicity man rates Verdi differently (10)
5 A pitcher for the players (4)
6 Slight quarrel over some gauzy fabric (7)
9 Agitated speculator distributes shares (7,3)
11 Maybe change it to 'acting dishonestly' (8)
12 It's a fixed sort of charge (7)
14 Six annoy in a masculine way (6)
16 Eastbound run to fulfil a secret engagement? (5)
17 Chap to embrace with love (4)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Electric eel, 9 Oration, 10 Lapse, 11 Toss, 12 Keyboard, 14 Hard up, 16 Stance, 18 Becoming, 19 Nest, 22 Lover, 23 Termini, 24 Freethinker.

Down: 2 Leads, 3 Chip, 4 Ranged, 5 Cold bath, 6 Explain, 7 Foot the bill, 8 Dead certain, 13 Submerge, 15 Recover, 17 Snatch, 20 Exile, 21 Bran.

JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

" _____ " _____ _____

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: MUNCH TWINE WAGGLE ROOKIE
Answer: She worked at her family's plant nursery as a child and now as a — GROWN WOMAN

A school bus carrying 11 mentally challenged children came in contact with a live wire in Kalaburagi on Monday. While the kids escaped unhurt, a woman who touched the bus suffered burns. The bus had stoped under an electric pole, near Mohan Lodge near SVP Circle to pick up children

NEW TREND: CYBER CRIMINALS NOW TARGETING INFLUENCERS USING AI

Scammers request personal info under guise of professional partnership

RAKSHITH GOWDA @Bengaluru

IN a new trend, cyber criminals are now targeting social media influencers, particularly women influencers, by posing as brands or agencies offering lucrative collaboration opportunities. These scammers request personal information, photos, and videos under the guise of professional partnership. Using Artificial Intelligence (AI) and deepfake technology, the criminals morph this content to create compromising content, which they later use for blackmail or extortion.

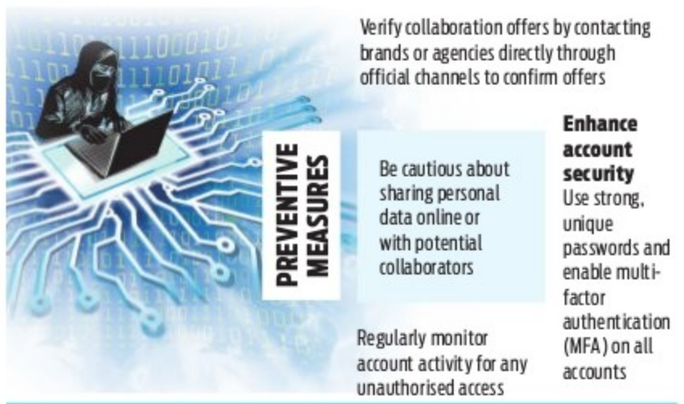
Bengaluru police have raised alarms about this growing trend. City police Commissioner B Dayananda highlighted how cyber criminals exploit social media platforms by luring influencers with fake collaboration offers. The scammers collect personal information, photos, and videos, which are then morphed to threaten the victims. They extort money by warning victims that the content will be shared with family members or posted on social media

The senior officer also advised the public to avoid interacting with unknown individuals on social media. In case of such incidents, citizens are urged to contact the cyber crime helpline number '1930' or reach out to the nearest police station.

Another senior officer told TNIE that cyber criminals are closely monitoring accounts of young content creators to lure them with fake offers for advertisements and collaborations. Young girls are frequently targeted, with criminals threatening to share morphed images or videos on social media or with family members to extort money. Users have to be cautious about unsolicited partnership proposals. Individuals are advised to contact brands or agencies directly through official channels to verify the legitimacy of such offers, the officer said.

Further, he added that scammers often demand 'trial' videos for projects, providing their own content, which they later morph for extortion purposes.

The officer further added that, in some cases, scammers send APK links disguised as forms for collaboration, which are used to steal sensitive data.



Techie accused of cheating woman

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ELECTRONICS City police have registered a case against a software engineer from Andhra Pradesh for allegedly cheating a woman.

In her complaint filed on Saturday, Divya, 32, (name changed), a resident of Dodda Thoguru, who works for a bank in a tech park, alleged that K Arava, the techie from Kakinada in Andhra Pradesh, was in a relationship with her and promised to marry her after divorcing his wife. She also accused Arava of forcing her to undergo an abortion at a hospital in Kolkata. Sensing that she might create problems for him, the accused visited her flat in Electronics City last weekend and reportedly deleted all their private pictures and videos from her cellphone. He allegedly assaulted her before leaving her flat.

After undergoing treatment in a private hospital near her apartment, she filed the complaint.Divya and Arava met in 2017 when they were working with an IT company and reportedly fell in love in 2019. The same year, he is alleged to have married another woman. When Divya took him to task for marrying another woman, he convinced her that he would divorce his wife and marry her. In 2021, Arava stopped communicating with Divya after his wife became pregnant. Two years later, he met Divya and they resumed their relationship after he promised her that he would marry her soon. He even borrowed money from her.

A team will be sent to Kakinada to arrest the techie, said a police officer. A case of causing miscarriage without a woman's consent (IPC 313), cheating (IPC 420) has been registered against the accused.

SAFETY MEASURES FOR WOMEN THIS NEW YEAR EVE

Bengaluru: To facilitate peaceful celebration on New Year's eve, the city police will implement strict guidelines and measures. With over 7 lakh people expected to gather at Brigade Road, MG Road and surrounding areas on New Year's eve, strict measures will be taken for the safety of women, said Home Minister G Parameshwara on Monday. Speaking at a review meeting with DG & IGP Alok Mohan, city police commissioner B Dayananda, and other senior police officers, he assured that in case of untoward incidents, the jurisdictional DCP will be held responsible.

X'MAS IN THE AIR

Foreigners shop ahead of Christmas in Bengaluru on Monday | VINOD KUMAR T

Two maternal deaths in city

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WHILE the recent maternity deaths in Ballari at the Ballari Institute of Medical Sciences (BIMS) hospital owing to the alleged use of substandard IV fluid, had shocked the state, two maternal deaths have been reported from Bengaluru on Monday.

One death has been reported from the government-run Vani Vilas Hospital, while the other is from a private hospital.

A 27-year-old woman, named Talukdar Mandal, hailing from West Bengal, died at Vani Vilas Hospital. Doctors from the hospital said that all necessary treatment was given to the woman and she died owing to excessive bleeding.

"She was admitted to KC General Hospital for the delivery of her second child on Sunday morning and by evening she delivered a child through normal delivery.

However, she witnessed an amniotic fluid embolism which caused excessive bleeding in the night," Medical superintendent of the hospital Dr Savitha C said. The woman was rushed to Vani Vilas for advanced treatment. She was given all the necessary treatment. However, she died on Monday, the doctor said. The doctor added that she was given the best treatment and there was no negligence from them in treatment.

In another death, Anusha, a native of Kadur taluk, who delivered a boy baby last month, and was admitted to a private hospital for surgery, died.

Lokayukta special court denies anticipatory bail to BBMP officer

YATHIRAJU @Bengaluru

A Lokayukta special court rejected an anticipatory bail petition of T Lalitha, Assistant Revenue Officer (Welfare), Office of the Joint Commissioner of BBMP at Seshadripuram, in a case related to misuse of crores of rupees earmarked for various welfare schemes, in collusion with other officials and private agents.

Judge KM Radhakrishna of the Special Court for trying cases registered under the Prevention of Corruption Act rejected the petition filed by Lalitha, who is accused No.1, observing that her custodial interrogation is necessary to prevent possible destruction of evidence and to ensure an effective investigation to bring real culprits to justice.

Lokayukta police are probing a complaint filed by Manjunath, president of Samruddi Bharatha Foundation, against Lalitha and others. Manjunath's allegations target joint commissioners, assistant commissioners, deputy finance controller, assistant revenue officers and private agents for allegedly misusing crores of rupees earmarked for small entrepreneurs and self-help employment schemes between 2017 and 2021. He has alleged that the accused fabricated documents in the name of beneficiaries like Dalits, minorities, widows, differently abled and unemployed youth.

Lalitha denied the allegations, but the Lokayukta police contended that they recovered innumerable documents, including bills, when they searched her house.

The court noted that the perusal of the record indicates not only the involvement of this accused, but also officers of higher cadres in the BBMP in collusion with private agents. The accused have committed alleged crimes like creation of false and forged documents, financial fraud, misappropriation and cheating, the court said.

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Executive Engineer, (Project-East) Division,
21st Floor, Nethaji Subhash Chandra Bose Building,
(PUB) M.G. Road, Bengaluru - 560 001.
No: EE/P-E/TEND-06/Cor-1/2024-25 Date: 21.12.2024

CORRIGENDUM-01

Due to technical reason this undersign office is unable to upload the tender documents in E-portal hence with respect to the Tender Notification:- No:EE/P-E/Tend/06/2024-25 issued on Dated: 02.12.2024 the revised tender schedule dates for the work of this notification is as shown below:

Calendar of Events: (1) Tender documents may be Downloaded from **23.12.2024.** (2) Last date for uploading the Filled proposal is **01.01.2025** upto **4:00** pm. (3) Date of Opening of Technical Proposals is **02.01.2025** at **4:30** pm. (4) Date of Opening of Financial Proposals is After approval of technical bid from competent Authority.

Sd/- Executive Engineer (Project East)

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E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for 30 days Sale of immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provison to rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the Secured Creditor, the symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised officer of **Union Bank of India** (Secured Creditor) will be sold on **"As is where is"**, **"As is what is"** and **"Whatever there is basis"** on the date mentioned below, for recovery of dues as mentioned hereunder to Union bank of India from the below mentioned Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s). The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit are also mentioned hereunder.

1. Name and address of the Borrower, Co-Applicant and Guarantor: Borrowers: 1.M/s Sri Venkateshwara Enterprises, Prop: D.Arul Murugan, No.104/5 Gopal Reddy Building, Tavarekere Main Rd, Bangalore, Karnataka-560029. **2. Mr. Arul Murugan** S/o Dhanakotti,No 11/36, Guruvareddyiyar, Gundildal, Konreddyiyar Post, Omalur (Taluk). **3.Mr.L. Srinivasan** S/o Lakshmikanthan, No.02A Block, Vandana Marvel Apartments, Near Preetham Motors Service Centre, Kudlu Village, Bangalore -560067. **4. PVK. Karthik** S/o Vk Ponnuswamy, No.15, Near Rama Temple, Begur Main Road, Devarachikkanahalli, Bangalore -560076.
Amount due : Rs 12.51 Lakhs as on **23.12.2024** plus interest, costs and incidental charges.
Description of immovable secured assets to be Sold: All that piece and parcel of the residential building property bearing No.34,Katha No 86/2 situated at 11th Main, 7th Cross, Srinivasa Layout, Hongasandra Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently comes under BBMP limits, new PID No.189-W0352-8-1. measuring East to West:50 feet, North to South :30 feet totally 1500 sq feet and bounded on: East-Road, West- Private Property, North-Property No.35, South- Property No.33.

Reserve Price : Rs. 1,26,40,000/-
(Rupees Once Crore Twenty Six Lakh and Fourty Thousands Only)
Earnest Money to be Deposited: Rs. 12,64,000/-
(Rupees Twelve Lakh Sixty Four Thousand Only)
Date and time of E-Auction: 29.01.2025 between 12.00 P.M. to 05.00 P.M.
(with 10 min unlimited auto extensions)
Last date for submission of EMD : On or before the commencement of e-Auction.
E-auction website: https://baanknet.com

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Place: Bengaluru
Date: 23.12.2024
Sd/- Authorised Officer
Union Bank of India.

Chettinad Academy of Research and Education (Deemed to be University)
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CONVOCATION NOTIFICATION

The 14th Annual Convocation of Chettinad Academy of Research and Education (Deemed to be University) is tentatively scheduled in the last week of January 2025 at Sigapi Achi Convention Centre, Chettinad Health City campus, Kelambakkam, Chengalpattu District, Tamil Nadu.

All the candidates who have been declared qualified for award of degrees by Chettinad Academy of Research and Education are eligible to apply through online in the official website of www.care.edu.in.

The exact date and time of the Convocation will be notified in the website of the University in due course.

Please continue to refer our website for complete information regarding Convocation.

Date : 24.12.2024
Place : Kelambakkam

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POSSESSION NOTICE (for Immovable property only)

Whereas The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **Bank of Baroda** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated **15.10.2024** calling upon the **Borrower Sri. Mahadev B. (Borrower), Guarantor Smt. Shyla Mahadev, Sri. Manu Gowda (Guarantor)** in **A/c No. 89960500000046** of **Mr. Mahadev B.** and **M/s Mahashaila Associates through its partners Sri. B.Mahadev (Partner and Guarantor)** and **Sri. Manu Gowda (Partner and Guarantor)** in **A/c No. 89960600000632** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs 52,55,608.78 +** interest and other charges thereon (Rupees Fifty Two Lakh Fifty Five Thousand Six Hundred Eight and Seventy Eight Paise + interest and other charges thereon) and **Rs 13,89,647.08** + interest and other charges thereon (Rupees Thirteen Lakh Eighty Nine Thousand Six Hundred Fourty Seven and Eight Paise + interest and other charges thereon) respectively within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.
The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under sub section (4) of Section 13 of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 on this **21st day of December of the year 2024.**
The Borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Bank of Baroda** for an amount of **Rs 52,55,608.78** + interest and other charges thereon (Rupees Fifty Two Lakh Fifty Five Thousand Six Hundred Eight and Seventy Eight Paise + interest and other charges thereon) and **Rs 13,89,647.08** + interest and other charges thereon (Rupees Thirteen Lakh Eighty Nine Thousand Six Hundred Fourty Seven and Eight Paise + interest and other charges thereon) respectively.
The borrower's attention is invited to sub-section (8) of Section 13 in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.
Description of the Immovable Property: All that part and parcel of the property consisting of Site No.352, formed out of Survey Nos.38(P), 39 (P) and 40 (P), formed by the Rajajinagar Housing Co-operative Society Limited situated at 8th Cross, Rajajinagar Housing Co-operative Society Layout, Srigandhadakaval, Annapoorneshwari Nagar, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bengaluru, measuring East to West 30 Feet, North to South 40 Feet, totally measuring 1,200 Square Feet. Bounded: On the North by: Road, On the South by : Site No.369, On the East by : Site No.353, On the West by : Site No.351.

Date : 21.12.2024
Place : Bengaluru
Sd/- Authorised Officer
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The 64th meeting of the State High-Level Clearance Committee, chaired by Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on Monday, approved nine projects with a total investment of Rs 9,823.31 crore, which are expected to create approximately 5,605 jobs

● Child welfare minister releases two video clips 'containing' Ravi's 'derogatory' remarks ● Ravi to file plaint with rights panel against police high-handedness

Not closed chapter: Laxmi vows to carry on legal battle

Women and Child Development Minister Laxmi Hebbalkar speaks to the media in Belagavi on Monday | EXPRESS

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Belagavi

WOMEN and Child Development Minister Laxmi Hebbalkar released two video clips related to alleged derogatory remarks made against her by MLC CT Ravi in the Council on December 19. Releasing the video clips at a press conference here on Monday, she claimed the first video clip contains the derogatory remark made by Ravi, while the second has his statement saying, "Rahul Gandhi is a 'drug addict'".

Hebbalkar told the media that she was shocked by Ravi's remarks and she will continue her legal fight against him. She claimed that she was stunned into silence for the last two days, unable to bear her mental agony. Hebbalkar said she has suffered a lot in her career and worked hard to make a mark in politics. The minister said she never had it easy in life and the red carpet was never laid out for her.

She said Ravi has not repented his statement, and is instead celebrating by receiving garlands and bouquets. Hebbalkar said she will file a complaint with Council Chairman Basavarj Horatti.

"The police should expedite their investigation against Ravi and the FSL report to ascertain facts should come out soon. Even in such a situation, unfortunately, BJP leaders are supporting Ravi," she regretted.

Hebbalkar criticised Ravi for claiming that he was injured after his arrest and the police were trying to kill him in an encounter. "It was shameless of him to have made such claims. The people of the entire state are ridiculing him. The police did what they were supposed to as per rules, but BJP leaders are trying to derail the case. I will write to Prime Minister Narendra Modi and President Droupadi Murmu against Ravi and will meet both of them in this connection if possible," she added.

Ravi is doing a big drama to gain people's sympathy. I was shocked when I heard the derogatory word. The BJP has no morality...
— Yathindra Siddaramaiah, Congress MLC

They are anti-women, anti-farmer, anti-Dalit and anti-adivasi. They are using such language against women
— Randeep Singh Surjewala, Cong Nat'l Gen Secy

The state govt is engaging in vindictive politics. It is unfortunate that Ravi was harassed and taken around for 7-8 hours in a police jeep.
— V Somanna, Union Minister of State

There was no assault on Ravi. There is sufficient evidence against Ravi for using objectionable remarks against a woman minister
— Dinesh Gundu Rao, Health Minister

'State govt morally bankrupt'

Mysuru: Union Minister V Somanna said MLC C T Ravi would have been in real trouble if the media had not tracked him continuously. He said that it is the prerogative of the Council chairman to decide final decision and clarified that they are ready to accept his ruling. He said that the state government is morally bankrupt and they have taken up such issues to cover up their mistakes. **ENS**

MLC to move breach of privilege motion in Council

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chikkamagaluru

BJP MLC C T Ravi on Monday said he will move a breach of privilege motion in the Legislative Council over his arrest by the police outside the Suvarna Vidhana Soudha after a heated exchange between the ruling Congress and Opposition members in the House. The former minister will also lodge a complaint with the Human Rights Commission seeking legal action against the police "high-handedness".

Speaking to media persons at his residence here, the former minister said BJP state president BY Vijayendra and Leader of Opposition in the Assembly R Ashoka will launch the 'Belagavi Chalo' rally if the police do not take action on the attempt to attack him and those who instigated it.

He alleged that on the pretext of protecting him, he was shifted from place to place and was taken to sugarcane fields with six policemen, which is suspicious. "A plot to murder me was hatched and something else could have happened. In the beginning, I assumed that the chief minister had no role in the incident, but going by his comments now, I think it was a collective plan on the part of the police and the state government. This is why we are demanding a judicial inquiry into the matter," he said. He also wondered if there were separate laws for the Congress and BJP. Meanwhile, the Chikkamagaluru city police have filed an FIR under the Motor Vehicles Act against the owners of seven ambulances for misusing sirens while receiving Ravi at the Magadi handpost on Saturday night.

Warring BJP factions close ranks over Ravi episode, to take on Cong

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI @ Bengaluru:

WITH Women and Child Welfare Minister Laxmi Hebbalkar and the Congress looking to keep alive the issue of MLC CT Ravi's alleged derogatory statement against her, the BJP is planning to give a fitting reply.

State BJP chief BY Vijayendra and the core committee are likely to hold deliberations and chalk out a plan before approaching the high command with regard to the nature of the reply, according to sources.

Vijayendra and state BJP leaders fully backed Ravi, who was allegedly subjected to an ordeal by Belagavi police. Even Ravi, who was miffed when Vijayendra was made the state chief, has given an indication that he is ready to patch up with the latter, sources said. The issue has turned into a binding force between the two warring factions -- that of Vijayendra and senior leader Basanagouda Patil Yatnal. Leaders who have taken a neutral stand are planning a meeting to iron out differences between the two factions after consulting the high command, according to sources.

BJP workers, especially those in Belagavi who were demoralised following Ravi's incident, especially the highhandedness of police, allegedly at the behest of DCM DK Shivakumar, want a rally to be held in Belagavi as a counter strategy against the Congress.

The ruling Congress is holding the Congress Working Committee (CWC) meeting on December 26 and a public rally on December 27, on the sidelines of the centenary of Mahatma Gandhi presiding over the AICC plenary in 1924. Since this will further boost the morale of the Congress rank and file, the BJP rally is necessary, say political analysts.

"Dy CM Shivakumar had said it was great that I escaped alive and got safe passage on the home turf of Laxmi Hebbalkar. Our party workers have invited me to Belagavi and a decision would be made after consulting the party high command," Ravi stated on Sunday.

Union Minister Pralhad Joshi has also backed Ravi fully, reflecting the party high command standing solidly behind Ravi, remarked a BJP legislator.

Police register FIR against group that tried to 'attack' Ravi

Belagavi: Under pressure from the BJP leadership, the police have registered an FIR against unidentified groups in the alleged attempt to attack MLC CT Ravi during the conclusion of the winter session of the legislature in Belagavi on December 19. Speaking to the media here on Monday, Belagavi Police Commissioner Iada Martin Marbaniang said the Bagewadi police registered a case against a group, which is yet to be identified and which allegedly attempted to attack Ravi during the legislature session in Belagavi. He said the case was filed after receiving a letter from the Legislative Council about the alleged attack attempt on Ravi. Iada Martin said the police will verify the video footage of the alleged attack bid to identify the attackers. The police would initiate action against them and include their names in the police case filed on Monday. On why Ravi was shifted from one place to another throughout the night after his arrest on the evening of December 19, the commissioner said they had received information about the possible attack on Ravi at that time and that was why he was taken away as a safety measure. It may be noted that several groups of the supporters of Hebbalkar tried to attack Ravi near Suvarna Vidhan Soudha when he was arrested by the police. A small group of people had rushed to the first floor of the Suvarna Vidhan Soudha where the Legislative Council is located and attempted to enter the council hall to allegedly attack Ravi. **ENS**

'Police arresting Ravi not under our purview'

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"POLICE should not interfere in the incident that took place inside the House. They have no authority as far as matters inside the House are concerned. However, police arresting Ravi outside the House will not come under our purview as it is up to them and the government to take action," Council Chairman Basavaraj Horatti clarified.

"We will not interfere in Ravi's arrest, which happened outside the House. But I was in touch with Ravi till 1am that day. I even spoke to the police commissioner and warned him that he (commissioner) will be held responsible if anything happens to Ravi. I also spoke to the superintendent police at 5am. I have instructed the police commissioner to take action against those who tried to attack Ravi," he said.

On the video clip in which Ravi is seen allegedly making derogatory remarks, Horatti said it was not an authentic one. "We do not have a video or audio record and someone might have faked it. If a complaint is filed, we will send it to the FSL for an analysis and then take a decision on the action to be taken," he added.

"We have held a thorough discussion on the alleged incident in the House. Ravi was arrested after the House was adjourned," he said.

Meanwhile, Industries Minister MB Patil said no woman would create fake videos to seek action against a person. "Basavaraj Horatti is Chairman of the Upper House and if he says so (fake video), I will not comment as he is the custodian of the House," he told reporters here. BJP, which boasts of being a patriotic political organisation, had conspired against Laxmi, he alleged. "It reflects BJP's culture. Even if Laxmi had provoked Ravi, it was a mistake on his part to make derogatory remarks against her," he said.

On BJP's proposed 'Belagavi chalo', Patil said, "If they (BJP leaders) organise Belagavi chalo, they will get exposed."

Mahazar in Council only if chairman permits, says Dr G

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HOME Minister Dr G Parameshwara on Monday said the police will conduct the spot mahazar in the Legislative Council only if they get permission from Council Chairman Basavaraj Horatti.

Speaking to media persons here, he said the police will ask for permission and it will not be done without permission from the council chairman. The council has its own rules and the police will work within that framework, he said.

If the council chairman writes to the police stating that fake video clips of the council are doing the rounds, the police can get them examined at the forensic science laboratory, he said responding to a question. The home minister said police officers do not have to ask the government for everything as they have to follow their procedures. They may take decisions on the spot and submit a report if the government asks for it, he said.

Asked about BJP leaders' allegations that the police were acting on the directions of DyCM DK Shivakumar and Minister Laxmi Hebbalkar, Parameshwara said if they have full information let them share it and he can verify it. "They (police) will only follow the instructions from the CM and home minister. In this kind of issue, they will not listen to others as they (police officers) are also accountable. If they have listened to others, they have to defend themselves," he said.

He rubbished the allegations that there was a conspiracy to murder Ravi in a fake encounter. "Please ask Shivakumar if he defends his statement. There is no use of my reaction to his statement," he said when asked about Shivakumar's statement that Ravi was lucky to come out alive from the home turf of Hebbalkar.

Parameshwara also said the government will not permit the BJP's Belagavi Chalo protest march.

HDK SAYS CONGRESS RE-STARTED REVENGE POLITICS IN KARNATAKA

B R UDAYA KUMAR @ Haradanahalli (Hassan)

Taking Congress leaders to task for allegedly doing the worst politics in the state, Union Minister for Heavy Industries and Steel H D Kumaraswamy said that the state government is deliberately targeting opposition leaders using police force.

Speaking to media persons here after visiting his family deity Deveshwara and Deviramma at Udaya Pura and Ranganatha temple of Mavinakere in Holenarasipur taluk, he said that the police have failed to provide justice to the needy and laws have been flouted while tackling the C T Ravi incident. Condemning the way in which the police handled former minister C T Ravi's issue, he said the police ill-treated and allegedly attacked him by flouting norms. Suspecting the government interference into the Ravi issue, HDK said who had directed the police to take Ravi on rounds instead of producing before a special court in Bengaluru.

He said many police officers will lose their job, if there is an impartial probe.

Coming down heavily on Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara, he said is Parameshwara active and discharging his duties properly? The Union Minister said the state government has started the new politics of taking revenge by targeting the opposition leaders, raising decades-old issues. He suspected that a similar practice of revenge politics may continue in future. MLA H D Revanna and Hassan MLA Swaroop Prakash were present.

Union Minister for Steel and Major Industries H D Kumaraswamy offers pooja to Lord Deveshwara in Haradanahalli of Holenarasipur taluk on Monday

KSE slams govt, seeks probe into attemps to attack Ravi

Shivamogga: Former deputy chief minister and convenor of Rashtra Bhaktara Balaga K S Eshwarappa said the way police and state government treated Ravi is not correct and is condemnable. The failure of government and police in preventing assault on Ravi is clearly seen and a probe has to be launched, he said. **ENS**

DyCM DK Shivakumar and AICC general secretary Randeep Singh Surjewala oversee preparations for the 'Gandhi Bharat' event to mark the centenary celebration of the 1924 Congress Plenary Session to be held on December 26 and 27 in Belagavi | EXPRESS

Union Minister for Steel and Major Industries H D Kumaraswamy offers pooja to Lord Deveshwara

BJP leaders openly insulting Ambedkar: Surjewala

Belagavi: Hitting out at Home Minister Amit Shah over his comments on Dr BR Ambedkar in the Lok Sabha, Congress National General Secretary and party in-charge of Karnataka Randeep Singh Surjewala on Monday said the architect of the Constitution is being insulted and humiliated openly today. Speaking to the media in Belagavi on Monday, Surjewala said it is unfortunate that BJP leaders are insulting Ambedkar and abusing him. "They have put the Constitution under their bulldozer. When BJP leaders are involved in joking about Ambedkar, do you think they will ever spare AICC Chairman Mallikarjuna Kharge and party leader Rahul Gandhi. The same ideology (of the BJP) led to the assassination of Mahatma Gandhi as the same ideology was opposed to Gandhi when he was alive," he said. **ENS**

FAKE CASTE CERTIFICATE CASE

HC directs cops to conclude probe against MLA Manjunatha

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE Karnataka High Court directed the state police to conduct and conclude the investigation as expeditiously as possible against the then Mulbagal MLA G Manjunatha, now representing Kolar from Congress, since the crime related to a false caste certificate allegedly obtained by him in 2012 is six years old.

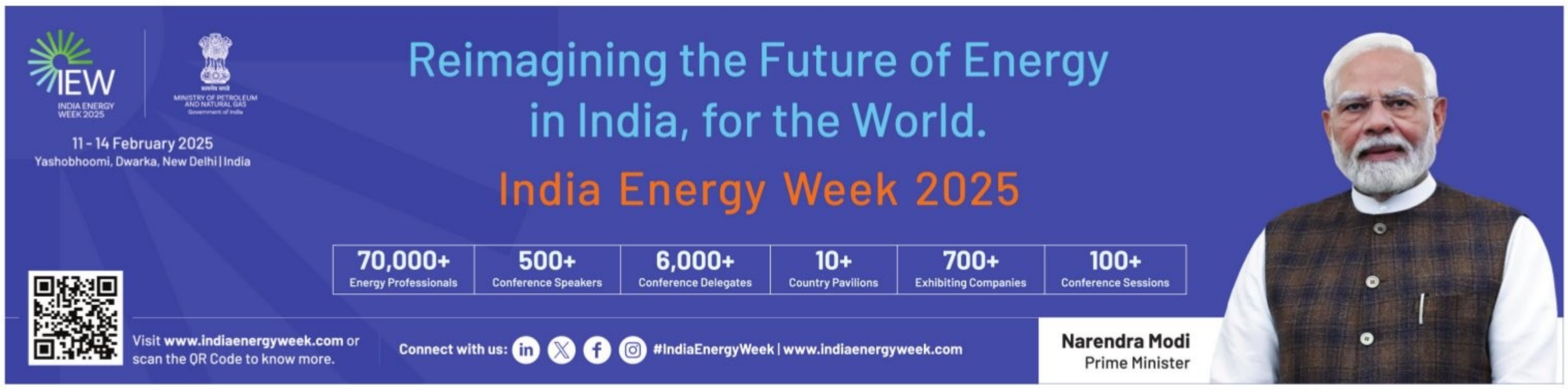
Justice M Nagaprasanna passed the order while rejecting the petition filed by Manjunatha against the registration of the crime under the provisions of IPC and the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 and the proceedings pending before the trial court in Kolar.

The judge noted that the crime was not even investigated as the petition was before the Supreme Court. Six years have passed and the apex court has concluded the proceedings and even the high court, while disposing of the petition, clearly indicated that it amounts to playing fraud on the Constitution. Also, it was a clear case that the petitioner contested the election on a caste certificate which was on the face of it false and he also became a lawmaker by stealing away a constituency that was meant to a person genuinely belonging to the Scheduled Caste. The finding is undoubtedly in continuation of what was observed by the coordinate Bench which has become a subject matter of the impugned crime. "Therefore, I do not find any warrant to interfere with the impugned crime," the judge said.

Manjunatha, hailing from Maraheru Kothur village in Kolar district, claimed to be belonging to 'Budaga Jangama', a Scheduled Caste. He claimed that the customs and religious practices that he follows and professes are those of the Budaga Jangama caste and his parents and his forefathers also belonged to the Budaga Jangama caste. Owing to their illiteracy and ignorance, the school authorities had indicated the caste of the petitioner as belonging to 'Byragi', looking at the attire of his parents. After obtaining a caste certificate as Budaga Jangama in 2012, he contested from the Mulbagal constituency and won.

After the election, a rival candidate filed a petition before the high court in 2013 seeking action to be initiated against Manjunatha for misusing his caste identity. An election petition was also filed against Manjunatha and in 2018, the high court declared that he belonged to the Byragi caste and not Budaga Jangama. Manjunatha moved the apex court against the order. After the District Caste Verification Committee gave a report that he belongs to Byragi, the Supreme Court gave him the liberty to challenge the findings before the high court and accordingly he filed the latest petition.

The BJD on Monday alleged huge discrepancies in the voting and counting process in the Lok Sabha and Assembly elections earlier this year, and urged the Election Commission of India to clarify on the issue



Cops summon actor Allu Arjun for questioning

Hyderabad top cop debunks actor's claim on stampede, releases video of the tragedy

AJAY TOMAR @ Hyderabad

THE Hyderabad city police on Monday issued a notice to actor **Allu Arjun**, directing him to appear at the Chikkadpally police station on Tuesday. The actor is named Accused-11 (A-11) in the Sandhya Theatre stampede case, in which a 32-year-old woman, M Revathi, lost her life and her eight-year-old son remains critical. An official from the Chikkadpally police station told *The New Indian Express* that Arjun has been asked to appear at 11 am for further questioning in the December 4 incident.

On December 13, hours after Allu Arjun was arrested in the case, he was granted a four-week interim bail by the Telangana High Court. However, he had to spend the night in Chanchalguda jail as authorities had not received a copy of the high court order.

The tragedy has spiralled into a major controversy, with the actor's supporters claiming that the woman's death was purely an accident, while the authorities claim that it was irresponsibility on the part of Arjun and his team that led to the stampede.

On Sunday, Hyderabad Commissioner of Police CV Anand debunked the actor's claims regarding the incident, releasing a video with a timeline of the tragedy. According to the police, the crowd at the theatre was manageable before Allu Arjun's arrival. However, between 9:28 pm and 9:34 pm, the actor arrived at the RTC X Roads Metro Station, waving to his fans through the sunroof of his car. This caused people from nearby theatres to flock to Sandhya Theatre.

The video showed Allu Arjun waving to people from the sunroof of his car as he passed Musheerabad Metro Station, where thousands of people gathered on the roads. He entered the theatre's main gate at 9:35 p.m. with a private security team of 40-50 personnel. The overwhelming crowd caused the theatre's gate to collapse, triggering the stampede.

INJURED BOY TAKEN OFF VENTILATOR SUPPORT

Sri Tej, the eight-year-old theatre stampede victim, showed significant improvement on Monday and was taken off ventilator support. A bulletin released by doctors at KIMS, says: "Sri Tej is presently maintaining stable vital parameters. He continues to be off oxygen and the ventilator. His fever spikes have reduced, and blood investigations have been showing consistently improving WBC and CRP trends. He is tolerating feeds well. His neurological status remains the same."

Capital honours trailblazing achievements of its women

PARAMITA GHOSH @ New Delhi

IT was an all-woman show without any pink bows. The 30th edition of the Devi Awards instituted by The New Indian Express Group, and the sixth in Delhi on December 23, was marked by nothing girly, no tears, no speeches, but the showcasing of solid and sustained body of work by women in the arts, economics, public service, and governance.

Seventeen women leaders, Devis, came on stage during a dazzling evening that unfolded at ITC Maurya to be honoured by an award given by the Sunday Standard of the TNIE Group, in a city, that as Lakshmi Menon, CEO, TNIE Group, put it, was "no stranger to powerful women". The programme was moderated by senior journalist Kaveree Bamzai and began with the welcome address given by the CEO.

This was followed by the lighting of the lamp by the chief guest of the evening Governor of Kerala Arif Mohammed Khan, Prabhu Chawla, Editorial Director, TNIE, Group Editor Santwana Bhattacharya, and CEO, Lakshmi Menon. In his speech, Kerala governor raised the point about how "India's rise to pre-eminence in the modern era" is owed in no small part to the effort and "trailblasing achievements of its women".

A highlight of the evening was the conversation between Chawla and the Kerala Governor on a range of topics—from the reaction of Rajiv Gandhi to his speech in Parliament on the Shah Bano case, Khan's resignation because of differences with Gandhi on this issue, the lack of nation-level Muslim leaders, his clashes with the Left-ruled Kerala government, to his reference of Draupadi, the woman whose steel and assertion was key to bringing about the Kurukshetra war, but who was humane enough not to ask for more blood to be spilt in retribution when her husband Arjuna offers to behead the man who killed her sons.

(Clockwise from top) Dr Aqsa Shaikh, Gurmeet S Rai, Dr Jyoti Anand, Honourable Governor of Kerala Arif Mohammed Khan, Kalli Purie, Dr Rashmi Saluja, TNIE Editorial Director Prabhu Chawla, Santishree Dhulipudi Pandit, Meena Bindra, Chhaya Sharma, Jyoti Bhatia, Poonam Sharma, Dr Kalaiselvi, Manjari Chaturvedi, Poonam Gupta, Debjani Ghosh, TNIE Editor Santwana Bhattacharya, Meeta Pandit | EXPRESS

DEVI AWARDS
DELHI
WOMEN'S AWARDS FOR DYNAMISM & INNOVATION

This rousing example set the stage for the roll of honour of the 17 women who have done Delhi proud—women who have nurtured and saved Delhi; built and developed Delhi; or who have taught Delhi, or managed the difficult task of creating networks that encouraged bursts of creative energies. From Dr Aqsa Shaikh, Professor of Community Medicine, Jamia Hamdard, one of India's first transgender Doctors who worked at the forefront of the COVID-19 pandemic response to conservation architect Gurmeet Sangha Rai who headed CRCI India, a premier organisation in India for heritage conservation and management to arts entrepreneur Shalini Passi who single-handedly scotched any chance of Bollywood wives being the last word in glamour in today's India, to Chhaya Sharma, Special Commissioner of Police Training, to Upasana Taku Executive Director, Co-Founder, CFO - MobiKwik Group to inclusive educator Dr Jyoti Anand founder, Anand Organisation for Social Development—no early starters or bloomers were among the awardees.

The 17 women were lauded for being anti-status quoists, of having "subverted the game", of having built identities and not just empires, busted ceilings, and opened doors. No small feat in India where women are still extolled for their 'femininity' in keeping a good house when they are actually being made to slave for it.

Devis can ignite millions through dedication: Khan

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

KERALA Governor Arif Mohammad Khan, chief guest of the 30th edition of Devi Awards instituted by the New Indian Express Group, congratulated the winners and hoped "they will go forward with their creative work and as role models will continue to inspire particularly younger women".

He said that the awards recognize and honour exceptional women who display dynamism and innovation in their chosen fields across various sectors.

The New Indian Express has so far organized 29 events of Devi Awards and has honored 310 winners who, the Governor said, "continue to inspire, influence and ignite millions through their success and dedication". The awards "celebrate not merely these extraordinary women, but it celebrates their dynamism, innovation and resilience".

Reflecting on the event, Governor Khan said: Our cultural tradition attaches great significance to the celebration of excellence. When excellence is celebrated, the energy of everybody participating in the celebration is appended to it and we feel great."

Applauding the theme of the awards, he said, "It is eminently appropriate that the organizers have chosen Contribution of Women in the Making of Great Bharat as a topic for discussion on this occasion of India's rise to preeminence through economic progress and development in the modern era would be incomplete without acknowledging the tireless efforts and trailblazing achievements of our women."

The Governor contended that "when India's Amrit Yatra towards Viksit Bharat of 2047 has gathered greater momentum, the nation looks forward to greater contributions from our women".

In this context, he referred to the concept of Nari Shakti as expressed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. "Extolling the contribution of women power in the march towards prosperity, he reminded us about the need to focus on women led development instead of women development. The accomplishments and contributions of the Devis who have been honored, who are going to be honored today, tells us that these daughters of Bharat are moving ahead with full determination and energy to steer India into the 21st century."

Kerala Governor Arif Mohammed Khan inaugurates the 30th edition of the Devi Awards instituted by The New Indian Express Group in New Delhi on Monday. TNIE Editorial Director Prabhu Chawla, Group Editor Santwana Bhattacharya, and CEO Lakshmi Menon look on | EXPRESS

IN KARNATAKA

Nine projects worth ₹9,823 crore get nod, to generate 5,605 jobs

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

THE 64th meeting of the State High-Level Clearance Committee (SHLCC), chaired by Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on Monday, approved nine projects with a total investment of Rs 9,823.31 crore, which are expected to create approximately 5,605 jobs. The three new projects approved by the SHLCC are: M/s DN Solutions India Pvt Ltd's Rs 998 crore investment at the ITIR, Devanahalli, expected to create 467 jobs; M/s Silectric Semiconductor Manufacturing Pvt Ltd's Rs 3,425.60 crore project at Kochanahalli, Mysuru, aimed at generating 460 jobs, and M/s Sansera Engineering Ltd's Rs 2,150 crore project at Harohalli, which is estimated to create 3,500 jobs.

The six expansion or amended projects include M/s Musashi Autoparts India Pvt Ltd's Rs 122.66 crore investment at Doddaballapura, creating 478 jobs; M/s JSW Cement Ltd's Rs 486.82 crore project at Toranagal, Ballari, generating 225 jobs; M/s NIDEC Industrial Automation India Pvt Ltd's Rs 200 crore project at Belur, Dharwad, creating 150 jobs; M/s Epsilon Carbon Pvt Ltd's Rs 740 crore expansion at Sandur, generating 325 jobs; M/s K B Steels Pvt Ltd's Rs 852.49 crore investment at Hosapete, Vijayanagara; and M/s Sify Data Managed Services Ltd's Rs 847.74 crore project at the High-Tech Defence and Aerospace Park, according to a statement issued by the Industries Department.

CM Siddaramaiah warns of action

The CM said the first semiconductor project in the state will be established at the Kochanahalli Electronics Manufacturing Cluster near Mysuru. He urged investors acquiring KIADB plots to operationalise their units within the prescribed timelines. Penalties will be imposed on those failing to comply with the guidelines, he said. He said the government is exploring the possibility of profit-sharing between sugar mills and farmers and officials have been instructed to examine similar practices in Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu.

'UCC is to ensure rights, duties'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

KERALA GOVERNOR Arif Mohammad Khan on Monday said that law requires uniformity of rights and duties as it's purpose is not to bring unanimity in the rituals and practices of different religions.

In a conversation with Editorial Director of The New Indian Express Prabhu Chawla, Khan said it is a fact that he was born in a Muslim family and it was not decided by him but the destiny.

"I became what am I today because of my efforts. I was elected to the Lok Sabha from Kanpur where only 11% of the voters were Muslims," he said, adding he doesn't like to be identified as a leader of a particular community.

When asked why is not India getting a national-level leader from the Muslim community like him or Maulana Azad, Khan said, "We are not able to provide right kind of education. We need more opportunities and facilities to young minds. However, I feel change is taking place but the speed is not as desired."

On his resignation in 1986 from the government led by the then Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi, he said none was ready to listen to his reasoning with regard to Shah Bano case. "The then Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi tried to persuade me to withdraw my resignation. He didn't have anything against me. I told him my act is nothing to do with Shah Bano case. I spoke in Parliament defending the Supreme Court verdict in the case as giving maintenance to a divorced woman is not against Islam," Khan added.

On his run-in with the Kerala's LDF government, he said, "I challenge everybody to show me one instance where I have interfered with the state government. I am, as the governor, the chancellor of the university has the prerogative to appoint vice chancellors."

Whether he was ever invited by Prime Minister Narendra Modi to join his cabinet, Khan said, "The work which I am doing now is not limited to Kerala. In 2007, I took a vow not to enter electoral politics."

The spot where the cylinder exploded in Hubballi on Monday | DHEMANTH

Nine injured in Hubballi cylinder blast

AMIT S UPADHYE @ Hubballi

NINE Ayyappa devotees suffered serious injuries when a cooking gas cylinder exploded at a temporary structure built to offer prayers behind a temple at Achchavva Colony here early Monday.

Of the injured, the condition of eight is critical and they are being treated in KIMS Hospital. The injured have been identified as Prakash Baraker, Vinayak Baraker, Tejas Reddy, Sanjay Savadatti, Lingaraj Beeranur, Raju Harlapur, Ningappa, Manju Waghmode, and Shankar Chauhan. Prakash and Vinayak are from the same family.

The explosion took place around 1.30am when the devotees were sleeping inside the temporary structure. It is said that one of the devotees accidentally kicked the cylinder, which led to gas leak. As there was a lamp lit inside the structure, the leaking cylinder caught fire and exploded. Residents of the locality rushed the injured devotees to KIMS Hospital.

Union Minister Pralhad Joshi, MLAs Prasad Abbhayya and Mahesh Tenginkai, DC Divya Prabhu, and Police Commissioner N Shashi Kumar visited the injured.

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POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the M/S, LIC Housing Finance Limited the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Asset and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 9 of security Interest(enforcement) Rule 2002 issued demand notice on below mentioned date calling upon the borrower/guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act with rule 9 of the said rules on below mentioned date.

The Borrower in particular and the public in general are here by \cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with property will be subject to the charge of M/s. LIC Housing Finance Limited for an amount notice mentioned below and interest thereon,

The Borrower attention is invited to provisions of section 13(8) of the said ACT, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets

Name of the Borrower, Loan No & Possession Taken Date	Demand Notice Date	Notice Amount	Description of the Property
Mr. Pradeep Kumar A Loan A/c No. 410500003183 Symbolic possession taken Date 20/12/2024	20/01/2023	Rs. 13,82,376.00	All that piece and parcel of property bearing Western Portion of Site No.16, Katha No.69/4294/207/1A/16, formed in old Sy.No.207/1 of Kengeri Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, duly converted from agricultural to non-agricultural residential purposes vide conversion order bearing No. BDS/ALN.(S)SR/K.T)31/2004-05, DATED 16/06/2004 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Currently Property comes now under the limit of Kengeri Satellite Town (Bandemutta), Kengeri Sub Division, Ward No.159, BBMP jurisdiction and bounded as follows:- East by : Eastern Portion of Site No.16 West by : Site No.16/A, North by : Site No.15, South by : Road. Measuring East to West 20.00 Feet and North to South 25.00 Feet, in all total 500Sq.ft
Ms. Mary Gonsalves & Mr. Praveen Saldanha Loan A/c No. 4002040001683 Symbolic possession taken Date 20/12/2024	13/09/2024	Rs. 10050840.00	All that piece and parcel of the Residential property bearing SITE NO.4, Property No. 1/6B, Khatha no. 1/5/4, CMC Khatha Sl. No. 83/9, BBMP Old Katha No. 673, New Katha No. 673/83/9, situated at DODDAKALLASANDRA VILLAGE, Uttarahalli Hoblli, Bangalore South Taluk, now comes under the limits of Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Bangalore. Measuring:-East to West : 35-0 Feet North to South: 70-0 Feet In all measuring: 2450 Square Feet And bounded on the:- East by : Narayanappa Property, West by: Bharathkumar K Western Property North by: Road South by : Munireddy compound and Smt. Munivenkatappa property.
Mr. U Srinivasalu Loan A/c No. 410500001145 Symbolic Possession Taken Date 20/12/2024	21.11.2023	Rs. 1382909.00	Schedule 'A' Property : All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Site No.151 and 151/A, Present BBMP Khata No.6195/151, measuring an extent of East to West: 90.0 feet an North to South: 110.0 and East to West:90-0 and North to South: (6+18)/2=2 feet totally measuring an extent of 10,980.00 Square feet) situated at Sachidananda Nagar, Halagevadarahalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore in the layout formed by Viswabharathi House Building Co-operative Society Limited, presently comes within the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagar Palike, Bangalore and bounded on the: East by: Private Property, West by: Site No.154, North by: Site No.152, South by: Road. This property now comes under the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagar Palike. Schedule 'B' Property : All that piece and parcel of Residential Apartment bearing Flat No.202(East Facing), in second Floor, (2 BHK, Vitrified Flooring, RCC Roof), measuring 1035 sq.feet of Super built rea put up in property forming part of Apartment building known as "RAMYA RESIDENCY", more described in the Schedule - A herein above, together with 235 Sq.feet of undivided share, right, title, interest and ownership and sital area comprising of the flat and one car parking marked as at the basement floor in Schedule 'A' Property.

Place: Bangalore
Date : 24.12.2024

Sd/- Authorized Officer
LIC Housing Finance Limited

NATIONAL COMPANY LAW APPELLATE TRIBUNAL AT CHENNAI
(APPELLATE JURISDICTION)
Company Appeal (AT) (CH) No. 71/2024

Dr. Madhukar G. Angur , S/o Guddappa Angur, Flat No. 803, G-Block, Mantri Espana, Near Sakra World Hospital, Kariyammana Agrahara, Outer Ring Road, Bellandur, Bangalore-560103. ...Appellant

Notice of Appeal

To,

i. Shivappa Mantur (Respondent No. 7), S/o Ramappa, Vekateshwara House, 19TH Cross, 7th Main, BTM Layout, 2nd Stage, N.S. Palya, Bengaluru, Karnataka- 560068

ii. Krishna Prasad (Respondent No. 8), Unauthorized Company Secretary, K.P. Associated, No. 575, 1st Floor, 3rd Block, 3rd Stage, 2nd B Cross, 6th Main, Basaweswaranagar, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560068

iii. Sachidananda Rao Mechineni (Respondent No. 11), S/o M. Thrupathi Rao, H. No. 7-1-79 & 80, Flat No. 506, Anand Nilayam, Ameerpet, Hyderabad, Telangana-50016

iv. Srinivas Gouda (Respondent No. 12), No. 2-7-33, Kanakagiri Road, Gangavathi, Koppal-583227

v. Registrar of Companies, ROC, Karnataka (Respondent No. 14), IInd Floor, 'E' Wing, Kendriya Sadan, Koramangala, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560068

vi. Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) (Respondent No. 15), Through Director General of Corporate Affairs, Kota House Annexe, 1., Shahjahan Road, New Delhi-110001

vii. Regional Director, South-East Region (Respondent No. 16), Ministry of Corporate Affairs, 3rd Floor, Corporate Bhawan, Bandlaguda, Nagole, Tattiannaram Village, Hayat Nagar, Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Hyderabad- 500068, Telangana

viii. Govind Chebbi (Respondent No. 17) , No. 100, 34th Main, 2nd Cross Dollars Scheme, BTM I Stage, Bengaluru, Karnataka- 560068

ix. Basavaraj VK (Respondent No. 18), No. 217, 6th Cross, Mahaganapathi Nagar, 1st Stage, Rajaji Nagar, Bangalore-560010, Near Warrior Bakery

x. Syed Shahabuddin (Respondent No. 19), 85/2 Muniswamappa Road, 1st Cross Road, J.C. Nagar, Bangalore-560006

xi. Madhusudhan Mishra (Respondent No. 21), S/o S.N. Mishra, No. 100, 34, 2nd Cross, Dollars Scheme, BTM 1st Stage, Bengaluru-560068.

Please note that an appeal bearing number Company Appeal (AT)(CH) No. 71/2024 titled Dr. Madhukar G. Angur v. Abhay Govind Chebbi & Ors. u/s 421 of the Companies Act, 2013 was presented by Dr. Madhukar G. Angur before the Hon'ble National Company Law Appellate Tribunal, Chennai on 05th November, 2024 against you the abovementioned addressees arising out of judgment dated 16.07.2024 passed by the Hon'ble NCLT, Bengaluru in CP No. 102/BB/2021 u/s 59/241/242 of the Companies Act, 2013. Consequently, Hon'ble NCLAT, Chennai issuing notice, service was attempted on you through various modes. However, due to various reasons such as refusal/return/addressee not found, the service could not be completed. Subsequently, on 13.12.2024, the Hon'ble NCLAT, Chennai in the abovementioned matter has permitted to service the notice of the present appeal to you vide substituted mode of service through paper publication and has renotified the above-captioned appeal for **30.01.2025.** You are hereby put to notice of the above-captioned appeal and directed to enter appearance and file a response to the petition, if any, through your advocate. Kindly contact the undersigned to obtain a copy of the said appeal.

M/s Mandla & Singh Law Chambers
(Advocates for Appellant)
Email Address: ashimamandla@gmail.com
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KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN:U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No. SEE/Tr(M)/BMAZ(N)/AEE(C)/2024-25/7101-06 Dt: 21.12.2024

Brief Tender Notification (Through KPPP mode only)

KPTCL invites bids from the eligible bidders through "Karnataka public procurement portal" to execute 17 Nos. of civil Engineering works, under the jurisdiction of the Superintending Engineer(Ele), Transmission (Maint), BMAZ North Circle, KPTCL, Bengaluru.

The detailed tender notification regarding details of works, general conditions of contract, NIT, Instructions to Tenderers (ITT), EMD, SD, etc., can be obtained by website **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in or https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** on hyperlink "E Procurement KPTCL" **on or after 24.12.2024.** Other details can be obtained from the office of the undersigned during office hours.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer(Ele.),Tr(M), BMAZ North Circle, Ground Floor, KPTCL Office Complex, A.R. Circle, Bengaluru-09, Phone: 080-22386686/85.

THE MALLESWARAM CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD.,

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H. O : # 102, 7th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore - 560 003,
Ph- 080-23342713/23342323, E- Mail : mcb_mall@yahoo.com,
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POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule 8 (1)] (For Immovable property)

Whereas The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **The Malleshwaram Co-Operative Bank Ltd., Malleshwaram Branch,** under the Securitisation and Reconstruct of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated **04/09/2024** calling upon the borrower **1. Smt.parvathamma K** D/o Late Krishna Reddy, **2. Sri. K Ramesh Reddy** S/o Late Krishna Reddy, **3. Smt. Sandhya Rani** W/o K Ramesh Reddy. **All are residing at**: No.72, 3rd Main, Bhuvaneshwara Layout, Munnekolala, Marathahalli, Bangalore-560037, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.2,58,80,459/-** [Rupees Two Crore Fifty Eight Lakh Eighty Thousand Four Hundred and Fifty Nine Only] within 60 days from the date of the said notice.

The Said Borrowers of the property failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers of the property and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule-8 of the said rules on this **17th day of December 2024.**

The Borrowers of the property in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **The Malleswaram co-opearative Bank Ltd., Malleswaram Branch**, for the amount of **Rs.2,64,28,921/-** [Rupees Two Crore Sixty Four Lakh Twenty Eight Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty Five Only] as on **30.11.2024** and interest thereon.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the residential immovable Property Bearing No.116/7, of Sy No.116/7, New BBMP Khatha No.116/7, Situated at Munnekolalu Village, Varthur Hobli, Now comes under the Jurisdiction of BBMP, BMP Ward No.149, Varthur Bangalore South Taluk, PID No.116/7 including all rights, privileges and appurtenances thereto, constructed the site measuring: 0.03 Guntas and bounded as follows East By: Property Munireddy Ramaiah & Jayaramareddy, West By: Remaining Portion of Same Survey Number,North By: Property of Yellappareddy of Ulsoor Bodareddy Palya, South By: 20 Feet Road.

Date : 17.12.2024
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
The Malleswaram Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,

HEARING DATE: 08.05.2025

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II AT BENGALURU

4Th FLOOR, BSNL BUILDING, TELEPHONE HOUSE,
RAJBHAVAN ROAD BENGALURU- 560001

BETWEEN
INDIAN BANK... APPLICANT
AND
Mr. MOHAN .R & ANR DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANTS BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION UNDER RULE 23(viii) OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES,1993

TO,

1.MR. R.MOHAN, S/O.RAMA MURTHY KRISHNAPPA,
AGED 34 YEARS, NO.2986, 1ST MAIN ,NEAR HOMBE GOWDA COLLEGE,
RAJAJINAGAR, BANGALORE NORTH, BENGALURU- 560010.

2.MR. ANANTHA KUMAR
S/O.RAMA MURTHY KRISHNAPPA, AGED 34 YEARS, NO.2986,
1ST MAIN , NEAR HOMBE GOWDA COLLEGE. RAJAJINAGAR, BANGALORE NORTH,
BENGALURU- 560010.....DEFENDANTS

Whereas, the Applicant has instituted an Original Application under Sec 19 of the Recovery' of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act,1993 against the defendant for recovery of sum of **Rs.90,49,079.46/- (Rupees Ninety Lakhs Forty Nine Thousand and Seventy Nine and Paise Forty Six Only)** together with current and future interest and other reliefs. Take Notice that you are hereby required to appear before this Tribunal to show cause on **08.05.2025 at 11.00.am** in person or by a pleader/ Advocate duly instructed as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted. Take Notice that in case of default, the application will be heard and decided in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of the Tribunal on this **23 day of December,2024.**

By order of the Tribunal

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer, Dasarahalli Zone,
Dasarahalli Division, MEI Layout, Hesaraghatta Main Road, Bagalagunte, T. Dasarahalli, Bengaluru-560073

No.: BBMP/EE/DD/Ten/23/2024-25 **Date: 20.12.2024**

INVITATION FOR TENDERS (IFT)

(Short Term Tender) TWO TENDER DOCUMENT SYSTEM (Through GOK KPP Portal only) - KW - 1 & 2

The Executive Engineer, Dasarahalli Division invites tenders from eligible Tenderers for the construction of the works detailed in the table below.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work
1	Desilting & maintenance of drains by silt and tractor for the year 2024-25 in Ward No. 15, Kammagondanahalli, Shettyhalli Sub Division. Call-2 **Estimate Cost (Rs. in Lakhs):** 16.94**, EMD Amount (In Rs.):** 25,000/-, **Category:** ST.
2	Desilting & maintenance of drains by silt and tractor for the year 2024-25 in Ward No. 16, Mallasandra, Shettyhalli Sub Division. Call-2 **Estimate Cost (Rs. in Lakhs):** 16.94**, EMD Amount (In Rs.):** 43,000/-, **Category:** Others.
3	Improvements to roads and drains at Gruhalakshmi Layout & surrounding area in Ward No 20, Nelagadaranahalli. Call-3 **Estimate Cost (Rs. in Lakhs):** 38.11**, EMD Amount (In Rs.):** 77,000/-, **Category:** Others.
4	Footpath maintenance by removing & re-fixing of slabs, providing slabs at missing portions, repairs to culvert and other drain maintenance work for the year 2024-25 in Ward No. 17, Chikkasandra. Call-3 **Estimate Cost (Rs. in Lakhs):** 29.65**, EMD Amount (In Rs.):** 60,000/-, **Category:** Others.
5	Improvements to roads and drains at Coconut garden and Rajareddy Layout and surrounding area in Ward No 19, Dasarahalli, Daarahalli sub division. Call-3 **Estimate Cost (Rs. in Lakhs):** 38.58**, EMD Amount (In Rs.):** 78,000/-, **Category:** Others.
6	Improvements to roads and drains at main & cross roads at Kempaiah Layout, Amaravathi Layout & Belmar Layout & surrounding area in Ward No. 20, Nelagadaranahalli. Call-3 **Estimate Cost (Rs. in Lakhs):** 36.42**, EMD Amount (In Rs.):** 73,000/-, **Category:** Others.

(1) Tender documents may be downloaded from the KPP portal of the Government of Karnataka from **26.12.2024. (2)** Tenders must be submitted online through KPP portal on or before **4:00 p.m.** on **07.01.2025** and the opening of the tenders will be as per the KPP portal guidelines. **(3)** Technical bids will be opened on website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** in the Office of the Executive Engineer, Dasarahalli Division, BBMP on **08.01.2025** at **4:30 p.m. (4)** Financial bids will be opened on website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** in the Office of the Executive Engineer, Dasarahalli Division, BBMP on **10.01.2025** at **4:30 p.m.** (if possible). Further details may be obtained from the above office during office hours or website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Dasarahalli Division, BBMP

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PUBLIC E-AUCTION
NOTICE OF SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY ON 17.01.2025

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) / Rule 9 (1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Constructive/ Actual Possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer (details mentioned below), will be sold on **"As is where is"and "As is what is" basis on 17.01.2025** at the below mentioned timings for recovery of dues with further interest and cost thereon due to the **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

The details are as under: Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposits details are as under & the Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before **16.01.2025 at 4.00 pm** through online payment to the Account No. details of which are given below or by way of DD favouring **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

Sl. No.	Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors/ Co-Obligants and Loan Account No.	Balance O/S Rs. Future Interest From + Costs	Possession Date Possession Type	Description of the Property/ies	Reserve Price (Rs.)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs.	Auction Time	Incremental Value of the Bid	Branch Name & Account Details for Remitting EMD/ IFSC Code
1	**(1) M/s. Tanisha Minerals Pvt. Limited, Represented by its Directors : i) Mr. Nagaraju Gubba, ii) Mrs. Venkataramani Gubba, Addressed at:** No.53, 3rd Floor, Empire Tower, Railway Parallel Road, K.P West, Bengaluru-560020. **(2) Mr. Nagaraju Gubba,** S/o Late. Krishnaiah Gubba, **R/at:** No.1014, Ramya Sadana, Flat No. 24/1, 11th Main, Hampinagar, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru-560104. **(3) Mrs. Venkataramani Gubba,** W/o Mr. Nagaraju Gubba, **R/at:** No.1014, Ramya Sadana, Flat No. 24/1, 11th Main, Hampinagar, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru-560104. **(4) Mr. Lakshminarayana Gubba,** S/o Late. Krishnaiah Gubba, **R/at:** No.222, Matha Nilaya, 5th Main Road, Near Sri Vidyanagar Bus Stop, BSK 3rd Stage, Bengaluru-560085 **(5) Mrs. Asha G L,** W/o Mr. Lakshminarayana Gubba, **R/at:** No.222, Matha Nilaya, 5th Main Road, Near Sri Vidyanagar Bus Stop, BSK 3rd Stage, Bengaluru-560085 **(6) Mr. Narayana Babu B.S,** S/o Mr. B. Subbarayan, **R/at:** No.14, Vanasuma, Lake City Layout, Behind Janapriya, Kodichikkanahalli, Bengaluru-560040 **(7) Mrs. Mala B.S, W/o Mr. Puttaraju B.S, R/at:-** No.13, 60 Feet Road, Amarjyothinagar, Prashanthanagar Main Road, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru-560040 **(8) Mr. Puttaraju B.S,** S/o Mr. Shivanna B.C **R/at:-** No.13, 60 Feet Road, Amarjyothinagar, Prashanthanagar Main Road, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru-560040 **Loan A/c Nos.:** **(1) PSTL A/c 0637001800049501** **(2) PSTL A/c 0637001800049701** **(3) OD A/c 0637000100444901**	**Total Rs. 5,84,82,519.83** **[(1) Rs. 4,37,17,469.86 21.10.2024 + (2) Rs. 1,15,58,374.14 21.10.2024 + (3) Rs. 32,06,675.83 19.10.2024]**	23.07.2024 Constructive	**Item No.1:-** All that piece and parcel of **Residential Flat** bearing **No. GF-001,** Ground Floor on the Western side in the Apartment known as **"Ramya Sadana"** with the **Super Built Up Area of 1834.25 sq.ft. & 675 sq.ft.** of undivided share over the land along with one car parking slot in the basement measuring **200 sq.ft.** comprised in **BDA site No. 1014, Municipal No. 24/1, Corporation No. 1014/24, PID No. 34-112-24/1,** situated at 11th Main Road, Ward No. 34, BBMP, Railway Pipeline Road, RPC Layout, Hampinagar, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru -560040 belonging to **Mr. Nagaraju Gubba. Boundaries of Flat: East by :** Corridor, Entrance & then Flat No.02, **West by :** Open to Sky, **North by :** Open to Sky, **South by :** Open to Sky.	**Rs. 1,65,00,000/-**	**Rs. 16,50,000/-**	**12.05 PM to 12.25PM**	**Rs. 1,00,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch: Bengaluru – Nehrunagar A/c No. 0633500200004101 IFSC: KARB0000063**
				Item No.2:- All that part and parcel of property bearing **Site No.40,** admeasuring **1780 sq.ft.,** (measuring East to West : 40 feet and North to South: 44.50 feet), Layout formed by Binny Mills Workers & other Labours Co-operative Housing Society Ltd. in **Sy. No.10** of K.H Ranganath Colony, 2nd Stage, along with building constructed thereon having PID No. 41-28-40, BBMP Division No.21, present BBMP No.40, Ward No. 41, situated at Deevatige Ramanahalli Layout, Kengeri Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru-560026 belonging to **Mr. Lakshminarayana Gubba & Mrs. Asha G L. Boundaries of Property:East by :** Road, **West by:** Site No.39, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Road.	**Rs. 1,71,00,000/-**	**Rs. 17,10,000/-**	**12.30 PM to 12.50 PM**		
				Item No.3:- All that part and parcel of converted residential land bearing Khata No.326/428, Sy.No.15/2B, measuring 2 Acres 21 Guntas situated at Kibbanahally Village, Kibbanahally Hobli, Tiptur Taluk, Tumakuru District-572114 belonging to **Mr. Puttaraju B.S. Boundaries of Property: East by :** Milk Booth, **West by:** Remaining property, **North by:** Kharabu Halla, **South by:** Road.	**Rs. 3,85,00,000/-**	**Rs. 38,50,000/-**	**12.55 PM to 13.15 PM**		
2	**(1) M/s C.H Marketing, A Proprietorship Concern , Represented by its Proprietor Mr. A. Suresh, Addressed at :** No.72, C.H Building, 2A Main, 60 Feet Road, NGEF Layout, Mallathahalli Lake Road, Mallathahalli, Bengaluru-560056, **(2) Mr. A. Suresh,** S/o Mr. Aswathanarayana Gowda, **(3) Mrs. Rohini S.C,** W/o Mr. A. Suresh, **Both 2 & 3 are addressed at :** No.502, Ulleshwari Nilaya, 5th Main, 10th Cross, NGEF Layout, Mallathahalli, Bengaluru-560056 **Loan A/c No.:** **(1) PSTL A/c No.9217001800009501** **(2) PSTL A/c No.9217001800011101** **(3) PSTL A/c No.9217001800011201** **(4) PSTL A/c No.9217001800011301**	**Total Rs. 11,29,99,440.32** **[(1) Rs. 1,52,62,893.04 11.12.2024 + (2) Rs. 6,94,02,122.70 30.11.2024 + (3) Rs. 92,07,730.76 30.11.2024 + (4) Rs. 1,91,26,693.82 30.11.2024]**	29.09.2022 Constructive	**Item No.1:** All that part and parcel of **Site No.72, Khatha No.72/72, measuring 2400 Sq.ft** [East to West-40 feet, North to South-60 feet] and Eastern portion of Property No.73, then No. 73/1, Khatha No.73/73/1, consolidated Khatha No.72/72, measuring 1200 Sq.ft [East to West-20 feet, North to South-60 feet], totally measuring 3600 Sq.ft, with Commercial Building constructed thereon, formed in Sy.No's 2, 3/5, 6, 8/2, 3, 52/1, 2, 53/1 to 4, portion of 54, 57/1 to 8, 102/1 to 8 (A), 9, 104/1, 2, 3, 105/1, 3 of Mallathahalli Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk in the layout formed by NGEF Employees House Building Co-operative Society Limited, situated at 2nd A Main, 60 feet Road, NGEF Layout, Mallathahalli , Bengaluru, belonging to **Mr. A. Suresh and Mrs. Rohini S.C.** Boundaries of the property / As per Document: Site No.72: East: Site No.71; West: Site No.73; North: Road; South: Site No.85 / Site No.73/1: East: Site No.72; West: Western Portion of Property No.73; North: Road; South: Site No.84 / Combined Boundaries: East: Site No.71; West: Remaining Western portion of No.73; North: Road; South: Site No.84 & 85	**Rs. 6,10,00,000/-**	**Rs. 61,00,000/-**	**11.00 A.M to 11.20 A.M**	**Rs. 1,00,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch: Bengaluru – Nagarabavi A/c No. 9213500200004101 IFSC: KARB0000921**
				Item No.2: All that part and parcel of **Site No.502, BBMP Khatha No.502/502, measuring 1200 Sq.ft** [East to West-30 feet, North to South-40 feet] with Residential Building constructed thereon, formed in Sy.No's 2, 3/5,6, 8/2,3, 52/1,2, 53/1 to 4, portion of 54, 57/1 to 8, 102/1 to 8 (A), 9, 104/1,2,3, 105/1,3 of Mallathahalli Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk in the layout formed by NGEF Employees House Building Co-operative Society Limited, situated at 5th Main, 10th Cross, NGEF Layout, Mallathahalli, Bengaluru, belonging to **Mr. A. Suresh. Boundaries of property as per Deed : East :** Site No.503, **West :** Site No.501, **North :** Road, **South :** Site No.540.	**Rs. 1,22,80,000/-**	**Rs. 12,28,000/-**	**11.30 A.M to 11.50 A.M**		

(The borrower's/mortgagor's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset).
(This Notice shall also serve as Notice under Sub Rule (6) of Rule 8/Sub Rule (1) of Rule 9 of Security Interest Enforcement Rules-2002 to the Borrower/Guarantors).
For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer to link in Karnataka Bank's Website i.e. https://karnatakabank.com under the head "Auction Notice".
The E-auction will be conducted through portal www.auctionbazaar.com on **17.01.2025** at above mentioned time with unlimited extension of 05 minutes. The intending bidder is required to register their name at **www.auctionbazaar.com** and get the user Id and password free of cost and get training i.e. online training on E-auction (tentatively on **16.01.2025**) from **M/s ARCA EMART PVT LTD** (Known by their **website: www.auctionbazaar.com**) Auction Bazaar, 7-1-28/1/A/1, Park Avenue 1, Ameerpet, Begumpet, Hyderabad, Secunderabad, Telangana, India – 500016, **Contact No. :** 7799728999, E-mail : **contact@auctionbazaar.com and disposal.karnataka@auctionbazaar.com.**

Date : 23.12.2024
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Assistant General Manager & Authorised Officer,
Karnataka Bank Ltd.

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DEMAND NOTICE [SECTION 13(2)]

TO BORROWERS/ GUARANTORS/MORTGAGORS

NOTICE ISSUED UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002

We, **Canara Bank**, had issued Demand Notices under Section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Security Interest Act 2002 by Registered Post with Acknowledgment Due (RPAD) to the addresses furnished to the Bank as mentioned below. Since the notice has not been acknowledgement returned due to non-availability of addresses at the said addresses / due to evading of service of the notices sent by RPAD, notice could not be served. Further, Bank had served the said demand notices by affixture at the addresses given. The contents of the said notices are mentioned herein below.

Branch : Kanakapura Branch (0594)

1. Name and Address of the Borrowers / Co-Borrowers/ Mortgagors / Guarantors : (1) Sri. Srinivas V H S/o Chikkahombe Gowda, **(2) Smt. Sunitha** W/o Srinivas V H, **(3) Sri. Puttaswamy Gowda** S/o Doddamade Gowda, **(4) Sri. Karthik V S** S/o Srinivas V H, **(5) Ms. Kavya V S** D/o Srinivas V H, **All are residing at:** Varagerahalli, Tungani Post, Kasaba Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagara District, Kamataka – 562117.

[Details of the credit facility/ies availed by the Borrower]

Sl. No.	Loan No.	Nature of Loan	Date of Sanction	Limit	Liability with interest as on 05.12.2024	Rate of Interest (including 2% penal interest)
1	059461 9019055	Housing Loan	19/06/2012	Rs. 3,00,000/-	Rs. Rs.2,05,713.13	11.75%

Total Liability Amount: Rs.2,05,713.13 (Rupees Two Lakhs Five Thousand Seven Hundred Thirteen and Thirteen Paisa Only) with further cost and charges and incidental expenses and costs.

NPA Date : on 29.11.2024 **Demand Notice Dated : 05.12.2024**

Details of Secured Assets

Name of Title holder : (1) Sri Srinivas V H S/o Chikkahombe Gowda, **(2) Smt Sunitha** W/o Srinivas V H, **(3) Smt Kavya V S** D/o Srinivas V H, **(4) Sri Karthik** S/o Srinivas V H

Details of Security Assets : Residential House Property Bearing Khaneshumari No. 93/266/1 Situated At Varagerahalli Village, Tungani Dakhle, Kasaba Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk And Ramanagara District. Extent: East To West – 36 Feet, North To South – 34 Feet Rcc House And East To West – 36 Feet, North To South – 10 Feet. Boundaries: East : House Of Rajanna, West : House Of Jayaramu V H, North : Own Land Of Srinivas V H And South : Road.

You are here by called upon to pay **Canara Bank,** within a period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, the respective amount mentioned here above, failing which **Canara Bank** will take necessary action under the provisions of the said Act, against the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the Borrowers and the Guarantors. The powers available to **Canara Bank** under the Act include (i) power to take possession of the secured assets of the Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagors including the rights to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale for realising secured assets and any transfer of secured assets by **Canara Bank** shall vest in the transferee rights in or in relation to, the secured asset transferred as if the transfer has been made by you. In terms of the provisions of section 13(13) of the said Act, you are hereby prohibited from transferring, either by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in the ordinary course of your business), any of the secured assets as referred to in the Demand Notice affixed and also Hypothecated / Mortgaged to the bank without prior written consent of the Bank. The notice is issued in terms of Section (13)2 of the said Act.

Date : 24.12.2024
Place : Kanakapura

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

GITAM

Wanted Junior Research Fellow (JRF) in ANRF - CRG funded project

Applications are invited for the position of Junior Research Fellow (JRF) in Anusandhan National Research foundation - CRG funded project entitled **"Elucidating molecular mechanisms of chromosome segregation by in vitro reconstitution of kinetochore-microtubule interactions".**

Eligibility Criteria: First class M.Sc. or M.Tech. degree in any branch of Biological Sciences. Strong technical background required in molecular biology, protein biochemistry, microscopy, yeast genetics and cell culture.

Fellowship: CSIR-UGC NET or GATE qualified candidates: Rs. 37,000/- + 24% HRA per month for the first two years. Third year, Rs. 42000/- + 24% HRA per month.

Others: Rs. 30,000/- + 24% HRA per month for the first two years. Third year, Rs. 33000/- + 24% HRA per month.

The address of the Principal Investigator: Dr. Harinath Doodhi, Department of Life Sciences, GSS, GITAM (Deemed to be) University, NH-207, Nagdenehalli, Doddaballapur, Bengaluru. The shortlisted candidates will be called for interview.

Interested candidates may send their resume with a motivation letter to mail id: **hdoodhi@gitam.edu** within 10 days of this notification.

Dean, GITAM School of Science

BANGALORE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

T. Chowdaiah Road, Kumara Park West, Bengaluru - 560 020

Tender No. BDA/2024-25/EL/WORK_INDENT77 Date: 23.12.2024

INVITATION FOR SHORT-TERM TENDERS

(Through GoK e-Procurement platform https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in)

BDA invites short-term tenders for **"Annual Maintenance of Electrical Distribution System and Accessories along with Streetlights at Sir M.V. Layout 1 to 9th Block, including Parks at 1st, 5th & 6th Block for the year of 2024-25".**

Calendar of Events : (1) Date of Downloading the tender related document: **23.12.2024. (2)** Last date and time for receipt of tenders in e-Portal: **07.01.2025, 16.00 Hrs. (3)** Date and time for opening of Technical: **After 09.01.2025 at 11.00 A.M. (4)** Date and time for opening of Financial bid: **Refer e-Proc Portal.**

For more details please refer e-procurement portal: **http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** or contact at office of the Executive Engineer (Elec.), BDA, T. Chowdaiah Road, Kumara Park West, Bengaluru. Contact No.: +91 9845630164, For queries contact email id: **eeelec.bda@gmail.com**

Sd/- Executive Engineer (Ele.), Electrical Division, BDA, Bengaluru

STATE BANK OF INDIA

DODDABALLAPUR BRANCH (40026)

D Cross Main Road, Chickpet, Doddaballapur, Bengaluru Rural - 561203. Tel No. 080-2762 8315, Email Id: sbi.40026@sbi.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE

Under Rule 8(1) (For Immovable Property)

File No. SARFAESI 13(4) /2024-25 A/c No - 40463578769

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the State Bank of India, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (No 3 of 2002) and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **18.10.2024,** calling upon the borrower. **1. M/s Santhosh Enterprises**, at No. 125/2781, Old Bus stand, Hemavathipet, Arodi, Doddaballapur, Bangalore Rural 561203. **2. Sri. Muniraju** S/o Ramachandraiyya (Partner) residing at Near Basava Bhavana, Subhash Nagar, Doddaballapur 561203. **3. H J Rajendra** S/o H G Jagannath (Partner) and **4. Natesh Kumar H J** S/o H G Jagannath (Partner) Both 3 and 4 are residing at No. 45, 1st Block, 2nd Stage, RMV Extension, Bangalore 560094 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 24,87,005 /- (Rupees Twenty Four Lakh Eighty Seven Thousand Five only) as on 18.10.2024** and future interest & expenses thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower / mortgagor having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower /mortgagor and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of section 13 of Act read with Rule 8 & 9 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules 2002 on this the **23 .12.2024.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of State Bank of India for an amount of **Rs. 25,11,045/- (Rupees Twenty Five Lakh Eleven Thousand Forty Five only) as on 17.12.2024** and further interest from 18.12.2024 plus, costs etc thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

All that piece and parcel of the immovable Commercial Property, bearing old municipal katha No. 2579/VS.11, 2781/2781/D22/8, & New Katha Sl.No. 130, Municipal katha No. 125/2781, and E-katha- PID No. 22-3-9-1B/1, Assessment No. 10701DBP0C21012019, measuring East to West 42.5 ft & North to South 62 ft (Total area: 2635 sqft) and it consists of 2 floored RCC roofed Commercial Building property is situated at Old bus stand 21st ward Hemavathipet, Doddaballapur town and Bangalore Rural District and bounded on: East by: Private Property West by: Property of HG Vishvanath Shopping complex wall, North by: Municipal Road South by: Municipal Road and Bus stand.

Sd/- Authorised Officer
State Bank of India,
Doddaballapur Branch (40026)

Date: 23.12.2024
Place: Doddaballapur

BEFORE THE HON'BLE CHAIR PERSON, KARNATAKA RERA, BENGALURU

CMP No. 747/2023 C/W CMP 748/2023, CMP 429/2024 and CMP 560/2024

BETWEEN: 1. CHAITRA .R, 2. SUDHIR, 3. SAUGATA SEN, 4. DURGA MADHAB SWAIN ...COMPLAINANTS

AND: SRI VANI SHELTERS ...RESPONDENT

SUMMONS TO THE RESPONDENT

Whereas, the above-named Complainant have filed the Complaint in CMP 747/2023 clubbed with CMP 748/2023, CMP 429/2024 and CMP 560/2024 CHAITRA .R. SRI VANI SHELTERS against you for the refund advance amount paid by the Complainant along with other relief/s. You are hereby summoned to appear in this Authority In-person or by a pleader duly instructed and able to answer all material questions relating to the above complaint on **07-01-2025** at **11:00 AM,** to answer the claims. In absence, the complaint will be decided based on the records available in the file.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court on this 21-12-2024

By order of the Court, Secretary, Real Estate, Regulatory Authority, Karnataka

Advocate for Complainant: **Vivek .R** Office at 312/A, 1st Floor, 1st Main Road 8th Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru- 560070.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public is hereby notified that our client **SRI.BALAJI SWAMINATHAN** is the sole and absolute owner of the schedule property.

Duplicate copy of the original sale deed dated 14/11/2008 document number KCH-1-02075/2008-09 stored in CD No. KCHD17 registered in the office of the sub-registrar, Kacharakanahalli executed by Smt.Rajeshwari and Sri.Ramamurthy, both represented by their attorney holder Sri.H.M.Natraj AND Sri.H.M.Natraj as confirming party in favour of Sri.Balaji Swaminathan related to schedule property, is lost/misplaced by our client. In this connection, a police complaint has been lodged by our client on 23/12/2024 online.

Any person finding these documents Shall handover the same to the undersigned within 07 days from this day. If the said documents are misused by anybody, it shall not be binding on our client and he/she/they shall be doing so at their own costs and risks and he will proceed to sell and dispose off the schedule property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of residential Flat No. TF-01, "Orchid Block", Third Floor of residential complex 'ESHWARI ENCLAVE", measuring 1400 Square Feet and additional area of 483 Square Feet and undivided share of land measuring 350 Square Feet, constructed over Property bearing number 45 (Formerly being portion of Sy.No. 28/4 of Vishwanatha Nagenahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk), situated at 08th A Cross, Kanakanagara, Bangalore, and the total property is bounded as follows, on the

East by : Private Property
West by : Road and Retained portion of extent of 167 x 50 Feet
North by : Private Property
South by : Private Property

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Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Property

E-Auction Sale Notice for 15 days Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the Public in Grneral and in Particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property Mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/Physical Possession **07-05-2024** of has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Union Bank of India Secured Creditor Will be sold on "As is where is ", "As is what is" and "whatever there in" on **10-01-2025 Friday from 12.00 Noon to 05.00pm** for recovery of **Rs. 20,68,305**(Rupees twenty lakh Sixty Eight Thousand Three Hundred and five only) to till date of realization and all other expenses including legal are also to be considered due to the Secured Creditor from **Borrower : (1) Mr. Chandra Sekhar C** S/o Mr. Chikka Biddappa Residing at No.249, 1st Cross, Singasandra, Hosur Main Road, Bangaloare-560068. **(Co-Appliant) (2) Mrs. Sunitha H R** W/o Mr. Chandrasekhar C, Residing at No.249, 1st Main, 1st Cross, Singasandra, Hosur Main Road, Bangalore - 560068.
The Reserve Price will be **Rs. 90,00,000/-** (Rupees Ninety Lakh only) and the earnest Money deposit will be **Rs. 9,00,000/- (Rupees Nine Lakh only) (10% of Reserve Price)**
Details of Immovable Secured assest to be sold: all that piece and parcel of property situated at site No.3/6, Katha No.3/6 at Singasandra Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South taluk, bangalore and meaxuring East to West 39.5 feet and North to South 25.5 feet totally measuring 1007.25sq feet bounded on East by: Property of Pillanna, West by: Property of Venkatesh, North by: Property of Pilla Reddy, South by: Road.

For Detailed terms and condition of the sale, please refer to the link provided in **(1) https://banknet.com and https://www.unionbankofindia.co.in/auction-property/view-auction-property.aspx**
the intending purchaser require to register through; **https://banknet.com**
the online E auction will be held through **website: https://banknet.com** for **E-auction Related queries Please contact BM:9653616591.**

Date: 21.12.2024
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Union Bank of India

IN THE COURT OF HON'BLE XXX ADDL. CITY CIVIL AND SESSION JUDGE AT BENGALURU (CCH-31)

P and SC No. 628/2024

BETWEEN:

1. Mr. Debasis Sahoo , S/o Ramakanta Sahoo, aged 36 years, R/at: B409, S V Brindavanam Apartment, Panathur Road, Kadabeesanahalli, Bangalore - 560103. **...Petitioner No.1**
2. Mr. Aahan Aryan, S/o. Debasis Sahoo, aged about 4 years, R/at: B409, S V Brindavanam Apartment, Panathur Road, Kadabeesanahalli, Bangalore-560 103.
Represented by his Natural Guardian Debasis Sahoo, The Petitioner No. 1 herein **...Petitioner No. 2**

And: -Nil- ...Respondent

PUBLIC NOTICE

WHEREAS, the above-named Petitioner has filed a Petition under section 372 of the Indian Succession Act, praying for the grant of Successions Certificate in respect of the schedule herein of **Late Sonnali Sahoo,** who died on 17/09/2023. She is wife of Petitioner No.1 and mother of Petitioner No.2.

Any persons having their objections to issuing of Succession Certificate in respect of the scheduled property in favour of the Petitioners and any persons having interest over the scheduled property of **Late Sonnali Sahoo** may cause the same by appearing before the court in person or through their advocate on this day of **16.01.2025 at 11:00 AM** inform to show cause against the petitioners failing wherein the appearance will be heard and declared as Ex-parte.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

A. Saving Bank Account in HDFC Bank Ltd, bearing **Account No.50100175324777**, IFSC Code HDFC0000075, bearing Customer ID No. 43092414. Old Airport Road, Kodihalli, Bangalore branch.

B. Saving Bank Account in ICICI Bank bearing **Account No.56701507721**, iWish Account-Ending with XXXX8889, Branch: INFOSYS HYDERABAD BRANCH, GACHIBOWLI, HYDERABAD-500 019, IFSC Code - ICIC0000567.

C. Fixed Deposit bearing No.056713029742 in ICICI Bank Branch: INFOSYS HYDERABAD BRANCH, GACHIBOWLI, HYDERABAD-500 001, IFSC Code-ICIC0000567.

D. Recurring Deposit No.056725009611 in ICICI Bank INFOSYS HYDERABAD BRANCH, GACHIBOWLI, HYDERABAD-500 001, IFSC Code - ICIC0000567.

E. Provident Fund bearing UAN No-100360288815

Sl. No	Company Name	PF No	Employee Code
1.	JP Morgan	KDMAL9268100E0445812	N658501
2.	CREDIT SUISSE	PUPUN01241850000017335	109550
3.	Infosys	PY/BOM/10088/270063	676780

F. LIC Policy No. 846598233, taken in Keonjhar branch office (bo_597),Keonjhar, Odisha for an amount of 15,00,000/- (Fifteen Lakh Only)

G. LIC Policy No. 595379617 taken in Keonjhar branch office (bo_597), Keonjhar, Odisha for an amount of 15,00,000/- (Fifteen Lakh Only)

Given under my hand and the Seal of the Hon'ble Court on 23rd December 2024.

Advocate for Petitioner:
Sandeep Hegde, No.755, 1st Floor, 60th Cross, 5th Block, Rajajinagara, Bhashyam Circle, Bengaluru-560 010.

By Order of the Court
***Sd/-* Assistant Registrar,**
City Civil Court, Bangalore

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

(A Government of India Undertaking)

ATTIBELE BRANCH
728A Lakshmi Complex, Attibele, Sarjapura Road, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru Dist-562107,
Phone: 080 27821222, Mob: 7871444526,
E mail:cb3468@canarabank.com

POSSESSION NOTICE (Section 13(4)) (For Immovable Property)

Whereas: The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **Canara Bank Attibele Branch** under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **07.10.2024** calling upon the borrower/s **(1) Shri Sagar V Iyer** S/o S Venugopal And **(2) Shri Suryanaraya Venugopal** S/o Suryanarayana to repay the amount mentioned in the Notice, being **Rs.19,15,879.90** (Rupees Nineteen Lakh Fifteen Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy Nine And Paise Ninety Only) within 60 days from the date of the said notice including EMI and interest thereon.

The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under Section13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said Rule on this **19th Day of December of the year 2024.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Canara Bank** for an amount of **Rs.18,96,029.56** (Rupees Eighteen Lakh Ninety Six Thousand Twenty Nine And Paisa Fifty Six Only) as on **17.12.2024** and interest thereon and any other charges.

The Borrower's Attention is invited to the Provisions of Section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the Secured Assets.

Description of the Immovable Property

Name of Title holder : Shri Sagar V S/O S Venugopal

Immovable : All the part and parcel of the property bearing site no 57, E-Khata no 150200100200100908, Property no 591/57, of Bidaraguppe Grama Panchayath formed in converted lands in Sy.No.571, situated at Bidaraguppe village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District Measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 20 feet, totally 600 Sq feet which is converted for residential purpose vide conversion order by special deputy commissioner, Bangalore district, Bangalore in case no BDIS.ALN.SR(A)45/2001-02, Dated 27.04.2002, Bounded on : East by : Road, West by: Site no 20, North by : Road, South by : Site no 56.

Date : 23.12.2024
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/-Authorized Officer
Canara Bank

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, DEPARTMENT OF SPACE
LABORATORY FOR ELECTRO-OPTICS SYSTEMS (LEOS)
PEENYA, BANGALORE-560058. LEOS CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE GROUP (LCMG)
[Phone: (080)-22685088, 5193, 5093, 5086, Fax: (080)-28392310]

BRIEF NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER (NIET)

On behalf of the President of India, item rate e- tender are invited for the following works:

Name of the work; NIT NO & Date : Contract for supply of workstations, printer table, extension table and cupboards in LEOS Campus, Peenya, Bengaluru-58. NIET No: CMG/LEOS/2024-25/LMN-11 Dtd: 16.12.2024 **Estimated cost put to tender & EMD in Rs. 13.68Lakhs EMD Rs: 27,361/- Period of Completion in months :** 04 Months Tender document can be downloaded from : **Opening Date :** 18.12.2024 **Closing Date :** 03.01.2025

Name of the work; NIT NO & Date : Rate contract for periodic maintenance of fire extinguishers for period of one year, Hydraulic Pressure test & Reflecting of various types of fire extinguishers at LEOS campuses, Peenya, Bangalore-560058. NIET No: LEOS/CMG/EMN-13/2024-25 Dtd: 13.12.2024 **Estimated cost put to tender & EMD in Rs. 8.40Lakhs EMD Rs: 16,800/- Period of Completion in months :** 12 Months Tender document can be downloaded from : **Opening Date :** 18.12.2024 **Closing Date :** 03.01.2025

Interested tenderers may please refer detailed Notice Inviting e-Tender (NIET) for eligibility criteria and other details in website: www.isro.gov.in and download the tender documents from www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO

-Sd-
GROUP DIRECTOR
CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE GROUP (C&MG)
URSC, BANGLAORE.

KARNATAKA INDUSTRIAL AREAS DEVELOPMENT BOARD

(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)

49, East Wing , 4th & 5th Floor, Khanija Bhavan, Race Course Road, Bengaluru – 560 001.
Phone No. 080-22265383. email: cdoce2@kiadb.in, Website: www.kiadb.in

No. IADB/ENGG/ETND-DPR-01/1889/2024-25 Date:23.12.2024

SHORT TERM NOTICE INVITING TENDER FOR PROVIDING DETAILED PROJECT REPORT (DPR) SERVICES

(Through GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Only)

KIADB invites tender from reputed consultants/firms under two cover bid system having an office at Bengaluru with vast experience and proven record of similar nature of work of Providing Consultancy Services for Preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) Economic Analysis, Survey, Plan Design, Preparation of Estimates, Cost Structure etc., for Implementation of 31 MLD External Water Supply Scheme to Raichur Growth Area, Deosugur 2nd phase Housing Layout, Yeramaras, Raichur Industrial Area from Krishna River in Raichur Taluk, Raichur District and Implementation of 20 MLD External Water Supply Scheme to Nandur Industrial Area 1st phase, 2nd Phase, 3rd Phase, Kapnoor Industrial Area 1st Phase, 2nd Phase, 3rd Phase from Bheema River in Gulbarga District on Total Turnkey Basis.

The last date and time of receipt of tender is : **07.01.2025 upto 04:00 pm.**

Applicants May Download Bidding Documents from the E-Procurement Portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.**

DIPR/CP/JA/3936/2024-25

Sd/-
Chief Engineer - 2

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No: CEE/TZ/KLB/Civil/2024-25/14384 Date:21.12.2024

TENDER NOTIFICATION (THROUGH KPPP MODE ONLY)

Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited Invites the following Civil Engineering Works in Transmission Zone, Kalaburagi on **Total Turnkey Basis.**

Sl. No.	Name of the works	Estimated amount (Excluding GST)
1	Providing peripheral Compound wall at 110kV S/S **Naganoor** (Reserved for SC) (Call-3)	4535707.27
2	Providing peripheral Compound wall at 110kV S/S **Yadagiri** (Reserved for SC) (Call-3)	8050835.92
3	Construction of office Building at 220kV R/s Station Premises **Raichur** (Call-2)	38983619.54
4	Construction of Security Compound wall and area Compound wall to 110kV S/S KPTCL **Walkamdinni.**	3050499.6
5	Providing security fencing/peripheral compound wall and other allied works at 220kV R/S **Sedam**	39405005.74
6	Construction of RCC road in the staion yard at 220kV R/S **Kapnoor**	2118552.91
7	Providing RCC road infront of transformer and other allied works at 110kV S/S **Afzalpur** (Reserved for SC)	2310785.4
8	Providing RCC road for MUSS and colony and other allied works at 110kV S/S premises **Yadagiri**	4234378.22
9	Construction of new building for TLI section Sedam at 220kV R/S **Sedam**	2960539.16
10	Providing peripheral Compound wall and other allied works at 220kV R/S **Ramasamudra**	6985142.55
11	Providing peripheral Compound wall and other allied works at 110kV S/S **Kembavi**	3339648.52
12	Providing peripheral Compound wall and other allied works at 110kV S/S **Konkal** (Reserved for SC)	8100526.67
13	Providing peripheral Compound wall and other allied works at 110kV S/S **Chittapur**	4167286.1
14	Providing peripheral Compound wall and other allied works at 110kV S/S **Korwartemple**	4984152.79
15	Repair and reconditioning of existing asphalt Road to the Administrative office at **Munirabad**	4406320.78
16	Construction of Security Compound wall and area Compound wall to 66kV S/S KPTCL **Chikkajogihalli** (Reserved for ST)	2542103.42
17	Re-construction of damaged control & UG cable duct in the station yard at 110kV S/S **Jewargi.**	2216459.37
18	Construction of Security Compound wall to 110kV S/S KPTCL **Thoranagal** (Reserved for SC)	3643710.12

The bids will be received through electronic tendering mode only.The detailed notification regarding the enquiry can be obtained by logging on to KPTCL website: **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** on the hyperlink "E Procurement KPTCL" or to **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** from **24.12.2024**. Any other details can be had from the office of the undersigned during office hours.

Sd/- Chief Engineer Electy, Transmission Zone, KPTCL, Prasarana Bhavan, Sedam Road, Kalaburagi

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, DEPARTMENT OF SPACE, U.R. RAO SATELLITE CENTRE
CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE GROUP, HAL Airport Road, Bengaluru - 560 017
(Phone: 080 25084184, 4156)

BRIEF E-TENDER NOTICE

Sl.No	Description	Details	
1	Name of work	Providing Structural glazing work in SATEX Area of AITF-2 building at ISITE Campus, URSC Marathahalli, Bengaluru- 560037.	Providing Flooring in AITF-2 building for Exhibition areas at ISITE Campus, URSC Marathahalli, Bengaluru- 560037.
2	E-Tender Notice No.	URSC/C&MG/C/TN/32/2024-25, dated: 20.12.2024.	URSC/C&MG/C/TN/33/2024-25, dated: 20.12.2024.
3	Estimated cost put to tender	₹ 24.10 Lakhs	₹ 17.00 Lakhs
4	Tender Document details	E-Tender	
5	Period of completion	THREE MONTHS	THREE MONTHS
6	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Rs. 48,200/- valid for 180 days	Rs. 34,000/- valid for 180 days
7	Period during which the tender document can be downloaded.	From 09.30 hrs on 23.12.2024 to 16.30 hrs on 27.12.2024	
8	Bid clarification	From 10.30 hrs on 24.12.2024 to 10.30 hrs on 30.12.2024	
9	Last date of reply to Bid Clarification	Up to 17.00 hrs on 30.12.2024	
10	Last date and time for receipt of tenders	Up to 14.30 hrs on 31.12.2024	
11	Due date and time of opening of tenders	14.30 hrs Onwards on 31.12.2024	

Interested tenderers may please refer Detailed Notice Inviting E-Tender (NIET) for eligibility criteria and other details along with Hindi version in website: **www.isro.gov.in** and download the tender documents from **www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO**.

Sd/-, Group Director (C&MG)

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ
ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರವರ ಕಛೇರಿ
ಪಂಚಾಯತ ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಯಾದಗಿರ.

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:ಕಾಪಾಅ/ಪಂರಾಇಂ/ವಿಯಾ/ಕೆಕೆಆರ್‌ಡಿಬಿ/ಟೆ.ಪ್ರ/ತಾಸ/2024–25/1584 ದಿನಾಂಕ:21.12.2024

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಸಂಕ್ಷಿಪ್ತ ಟೆಂಡರ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

(ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಮಾತ್ರ) ದ್ವಿಲಕೋಟೆ

1) ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳ ವಿವರ.: ಸುರಪುರ ತಾಲೂಕಿನ ಪಶು ಆಸ್ಪತ್ರೆಯ ಕಟ್ಟಡ ಹಾಗೂ ರೈತರಿಗೆ ತರಬೇತಿ ಕೋಣೆ ಕಟ್ಟಡ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ. 2) ಲೆಕ್ಕ ಶೀರ್ಷಿಕೆ: 2023–24ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನ ಕೆ.ಕೆ.ಆರ್.ಡಿ.ಬಿ. ಯೋಜನೆ 3) ಟೆಂಡರಿಗಿಟ್ಟ ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ: ಕನಿಷ್ಠ ಮತ್ತು ಗರಿಷ್ಠ ರೂ. 150.00 ಲಕ್ಷ 4) ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರರ ದರ್ಜೆ :3ನೇ ದರ್ಜೆ ಮೇಲ್ಪಟ್ಟು 5) ಟೆಂಡರ ಫಾರಂ ಪಡೆಯಲು ಕೊನೆಯ ದಿನಾಂಕ :23.12.2024 ರಿಂದ 02.01.2025 ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 4:00 ಗಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ 6) ಟೆಂಡರ ಅರ್ಜಿ ಬೆಲೆ ಮತ್ತು ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ. ಮೊತ್ತ: ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ನಮೂದಿಸಿದಂತೆ (ಅರ್ಜಿ ಶುಲ್ಕ ಹಿಂದಿರುಗಿಸಲಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲಾ) 7) ಟೆಂಡರ ಫಾರಂ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವ ಅಂತಿಮ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 02.01.2025 ಸಾಯಂಕಾಲ 4:00 ಗಂಟೆವರೆಗೆ 8) ಟೆಂಡರ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ತಾಂತ್ರೀಕ: 04.01.2025 ಬೆಳ್ಳಿಗೆ 11:00 ನಂತರ 9) ಟೆಂಡರ ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಆರ್ಥಿಕ : 08.01.2025 ಬೆಳ್ಳಿಗೆ 11:00 ನಂತರ 10) ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗೆ ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಬೇಕಾದ ವಿಳಾಸ (ಕಛೇರಿ ಅವಧಿಯಲ್ಲಿ): ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಭಿಯಂತರವರ ಕಛೇರಿ ಪಂಚಾಯತ ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಯಾದಗಿರ. 11) ಅಂತರಜಾಲ ತಾಣದ ವಿಳಾಸ:https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in

ಸೂಚನೆ :– ಟೆಂಡರರಿಗೆ ಸಂಬಂದಿಸಿದ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಳನ್ನು ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಯಿಂದ ಕಛೇರಿ ಅವಧಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಅಥವಾ https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/ ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು (ರಜಾದಿನಗಳು ಹೊರತುಪಡಿಸಿ).

ಸಹಿ/–ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರರು,
ಪಂಚಾಯತ್ ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನೀಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ,
ಯಾದಗಿರ.

ವಾ.ಸಾ.ಸಂ.ಇ/ಯಾದಗಿರಿ/366/ಕೆ.ಎಸ್.ಎಂ.ಸಿ.ಎ/2024–25

LIC HFL LIC HOUSING FINANCE LTD

LIC HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED

1st Floor, Jeevan Managal Building, Hayes Road, Bangalore -560025.Ph.: 080-43003651

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

WHEREAS the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of LIC Housing Finance Ltd (LIC HFL), under Securitization & Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 & in exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (2) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 had issued Demand Notice to following Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors calling upon them to repay the outstanding due amount mentioned in the said notices. However, The Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors having failed to repay the said due amount, the undersigned has taken SYMBOLIC POSSESSION (S) / **PHYSICAL POSSESSION(P)** (specify property wise) in exercise of powers conferred U/s 13(4) and U/s 14 of the said Act read with the Rule 8.

This notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property have been mortgaged to the LIC HFL, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of LIC HFL will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" & without any recourse basis on Date of auction, as per the brief particulars given here under.

VIGNESH S & GIRIDHAR RAO ANITHA Loan No - 411600003957

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY : Full Description ; All that the piece and parcel of the property bearing New Municipal No. 7, Old No. 190/7, situated at 19th C Main Road, 1st N Block, Rajajinagara, Bangalore – 560010, PID No..14-17-7, NEW BBMP Ward No.7, measuring East to West 9.40 meters and South to North 15.31 + 15.10 / 2 meters and building of Ground, first and Second Floors and Bounded on :- North by : Property No. 190/B South by : 1property No. 190/A East by : Road West by : Property No. 219 and 191.

Date of Demand Notice	21.11. 2022
Amt Demanded	Rs.3,29,56,126.00 with further Interest, Cost and Expenses.
Account Details	Beneficiary Name: LIC Housing Finance Ltd. Bank: Axis Bank, Centralised Collection Hub Account No: HFLESCBAYE03957, IFSC Code: UTIBOCCH274
Date of Possession (S)	2/7/2024
Reserve Price	Rs.4,30,00,000/- Rupees Four Crore Thirty Lakhs Only
EMD	Rs.43,00,000/- Rupees Forty Three Lakh Only
Total Amount payable as on date	Rs.4,19,82,718.85 /-
Website of E-Auction	https://online.lichousing.com/eauction/ & https://www.auctionbazaar.com
Date of auction and time duration of auction	08-01-2025 and 4 hours
Name of e-auction service provider	M/s. Arca Emart Pvt Ltd
Date & time of Inspection of Photocopies of property documents	03-01-2025 FROM 10.30 AM till 2.30 PM
Address where property documents can be inspected	LICHFL Jeevan Mangal Building 1 St Floor, Residency Road, Bangalore-560025.
Date for inspection of documents and time duration for auction	03-01-2025 from 11 AM till 3 PM
Inspection of the Property	04-1-2025 from 10 AM Till 1 PM
Contact person: Name of Authorised Representative	Mr. Ajit S Nair, Associate Chief Manager Mob No. : 9446368696
Address of E-Auction service Provider, name of dealing person, email & Contact Details	M/s. Arca Emart Pvt Ltd Officer name – Mr.Abdul cell no.7799510999 email id:- contact@auctionbazaar.com, support@auctionbazaar.com, Auction portal https://www.auctionbazaar.com/, Address:- Flat 1405, C Block, MPM Santha Sriram Pinnacle, Yellareddy Guda, Ameerpet, Hyderabad – 500073
Last date of submission of Online Tender / Bid	07-1-2025 till 5 PM
E Auction Date	08-1-2025 & 11 AM till 3 PM

Place: Bangalore
Date : 24.12.2024

Authorized Officer
L.I.C Housing Finance Ltd, Bangalore

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The biggest danger of AI is that we attribute these godlike characteristics to it and therefore let ourselves off the hook — Christopher Nolan

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— Ramnath Goenka

FORMULATE PLANS TO ARREST RAPID FOREST DEGRADATION

THE latest India State of Forest report says a quarter of the country's geographical area now is under forest cover—a spread of over 8.27 lakh sq km, which is a 1,445.8-sq-km increase over the previous survey done in 2021. To be precise, this area is a combination of forests as well as tree cover outside of them. The Forest Survey of India defines forest cover as areas of one hectare or more—notwithstanding their ownership, legal status or use—with a tree canopy density of at least 10 percent. This was measured at 7.15 lakh sq km last year. Over the assessment years two years apart, the forest cover alone has expanded by 156.4 sq km. There are other positives in the report, including an improvement in the mangrove cover, which acts as a bioshield against natural calamities for India's numerous coastal communities.

However, a look beyond the headline numbers reveals worrying realities. The county's recorded forest area has improved by just 7.28 sq km between 2021 and 2023. Now couple it with the unsettling level of forest degradation—measured at a staggering 92,989 sq km in just the decade between 2011 and 2021. The 2023 survey says that recorded forest areas stand at 5.20 lakh sq km, including 91,000 sq km of very dense forests, 2.43 lakh sq km of moderately dense forests, and 1.85 lakh sq km open forests. The report also says that over 40,709 sq km of very dense and moderately dense forests have been degraded into open forests over the decade. Similarly, 5,573 sq km of forest canopies have been reduced to scrubs. The scariest part is that the canopy density of another 46,707 sq km has degraded to non-forest land—which means large parts of forests are being cleaned up every year. This rapid degradation is as alarming as deforestation. The threat it poses to biodiversity, pollution control and the essential work of forests as carbon sinks is enormous. This comes after a March 2023 report from a UK-based agency that analysed deforestation trends in 98 countries over 30 years to show that India ranked second only after Brazil—home to the world's greatest rainforest, Amazon—in the worrying trend. We must formulate strategies to arrest and reverse this worrying trend as climate change looms larger.

FILLING ASHWIN'S SHOES WILL BE A BIG CHALLENGE

RAVICHANDRAN Ashwin's retirement announcement came out of the blue. Not that it was unusually surprising for a cricketer aged 38. But the venom has not yet left his bowling, especially in home conditions. As we have come to expect from Ashwin, he did not want to be part of a tour as a tourist. So, aptly enough, a senior player who played cricket on his own terms also decided to retire on his own terms. His illustrious career ended with 537 wickets in 106 Tests—the second highest lifetime haul for an Indian bowler. Six Test tons are also etched against his name. All these made him one of the chief architects of India's home Test record between 2012 and 2024.

Yet, the way he announced his retirement did create a stir. Ashwin's mid-series announcement and return to India sparked a debate on whether he did it the right way, or should he have been given a 'farewell Test'. The latter seemed a bit superfluous given that the last cricketer who got a proper farewell Test was Sachin Tendulkar in 2013. Even if there was to be one at home for Ashwin, it would have been at least nine months away. With a packed international calendar till then and the IPL in between, it would have been difficult to organise one.

There are other pressing matters right now for the team. First, they have to find an able successor to Ashwin, who transformed the craft of spin-bowling into an art. Washington Sundar is there in the squad; but purely in terms of skills, filling in Ashwin's shoes will not be easy. Finding an off-spinner—a breed slowly becoming a rarity—will not be easy. There are not many in the domestic circuit who could come close to the veteran. Jalaj Saxena is 38, Jayant Yadav is 34 and the majority of the wicket-taking spinners in Ranji Trophy are left-armers. One young spinner who can be slowly moulded is Tanush Kotian of Mumbai—at 26, he is poised to replace Ashwin for the remainder of the series. Whosoever comes next, he will be compared with the likes of Harbhajan Singh and Ashwin. To succeed, the bowler has to have exceptional qualities and the even rarer trait—temperament.

QUICK TAKE

DON'T DROP BOOK POST

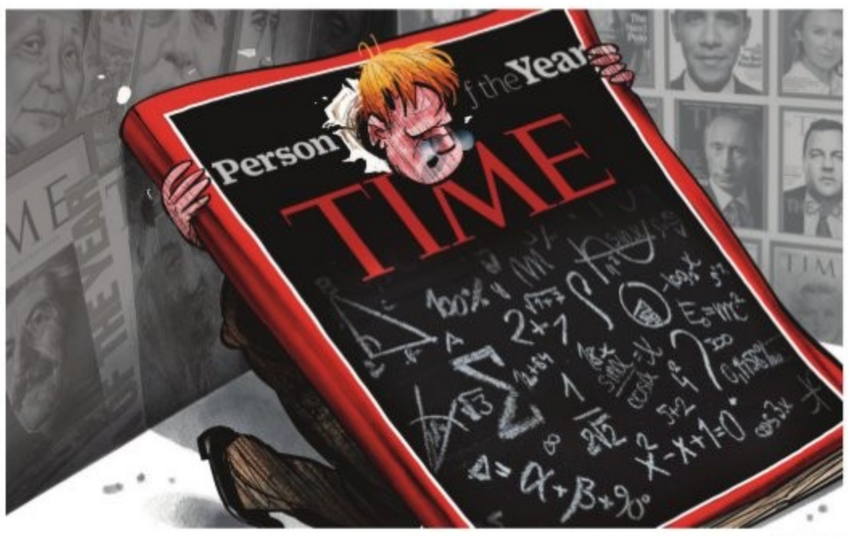
A thoughtful scheme crafted to promote reading around the country was quietly discontinued last week. Book Post, which allowed quicker and cheaper delivery of printed books and periodicals, will now be rolled into the registered post service. The move was part of a series of rate increases and scheme revamps by India Post. The Book Post was hardly among the main reasons for the department's gargantuan losses, which increased from ₹5,309 crore in 2012-13 to ₹20,538 crore in 2022-23. The government often sets a standard in services and rates by intervening in a market otherwise served by profit-minded private players. The Book Post was one such essential intervention.

Algorithms affect most parts of our lives today. With quantum computing set to be unleashed, the future looks loaded in favour of the abilities of instructions coded in machines

INFLUENCER OF THE YEAR: ALGORITHM

HARISH BIJOOR

Brand Guru and Founder, Harish Bijoor Consults



SOURAV ROY

FOR the last 97 years, *Time* magazine has been anointing a 'person of the year' every year-end. As a child who grew up on a staple of *Time* and *Newsweek*, I would eagerly look forward to the year's last editions simply to see if I could guess who it would be. I succeeded only half the time. Nevertheless, thinking of all the persons I could list as possibilities and then weeding most of them out was a fun exercise. It gave me a kick.

It wasn't always called person of the year. In a less gender-sensitised era, it was called man of the year and, in some cases, woman of the year. It became the person of the year in the noughties. What started in 1927 with the coveted space given to aviator Charles Lindbergh, was given to Donald Trump for 2024. *Time* features a person, group, idea or object that, "for better or worse", has done the most to influence the events of the year.

I go back to the ways of my school days. I sit down and list my own person of the year for 2024. And it is not Donald Trump. It is not human at all. For me, it is the algorithm. Call it a he, she, them or it, the algorithm is the one biggest influencer of 2024. The algorithm has shaped the lives of billions, and continues to influence the future of everything.

Let me introduce you to this being. It is a lifeless form with a life all its own. The algorithm to me is a recipe. It is not a dish. It is a clever recipe that results in a good and tasty dish. It has many ingredients. It has many steps as well. It has a flow. It has both consistency and inconsistency loaded into it. It is what makes the world run today. All of life and living is governed by the algorithm.

A cleverly structured algorithm makes for all convenient outputs we are so used to in life. The clever point is that we live in an algorithm-led world, with very few of us understanding what it does. The algorithm is here, and at the same time, it isn't. It is in hiding. The algorithm in more ways than one is *Maya*. It is not physical. Instead, it is a bigger meta physicality that runs our lives, our economy, our buying decisions, our consuming decisions and our very being. It's scary, but it is amidst us. None of us can escape it, however much we try.

Let me tell you why I choose Ms Algorithm as the super-influencer of the year and equally the years ahead. Every passing day, each of us has progressively adopted the digital way of life. Anyone with a smartphone understands he is hooked to WhatsApp. If you are compromised to the ways of the digital and equally the ways of how an algorithm works its way into your lives, you will not resist the thought that the horse has bolted.

The algorithm is a computation aid. It helps you solve a common consumer or user problem by setting together a procedure that takes one baby step at a time. It simplifies to complicate. The end goal is to ensure the consumer's life is made richer and easier.

The algorithm is, however, an animal. In the beginning, it is a simple recipe. And then it assumes a life of its own. It becomes a thinking recipe. It learns. It feeds itself, and by the end of the day you might as well expect it to be a sentient animal. In the beginning you make it happen. You teach it. It learns. It then teaches you back. It tells you who you are, what you like, what you want to do. In the case of the rogue algorithm it tells you what you can and must do as well.

The algorithm has many approaches, many lives, many ways and will eventually have many moods as well. And in the end, with its cousin learning and teaching mechanisms of machine learning and autonomous learning mechanisms that developers are working on to unleash in a more speedy manner, expect algorithm mayhem.

If I am to add an example, let me take the case of my smart refrigerator. It is 7 feet tall and 4 feet wide. Physicals apart, it is a mean machine. It is a multi-sensor equipped animal. I will stop calling it a machine now. It's an animal with an algorithm that is more alive, kicking and learning oriented than any before. Of the 26 sensors strategically placed in it, there is one on the egg tray. I have space for 24 neatly placed eggs. Every time the eggs are taken out, the algorithm is quick to calculate and work out a replenishment schedule. Over a period of time, my refrigerator is learning my family's love for eggs and is planning how much to replace and when.

My fridge, in the bargain, is never empty. And never over-full either. My refrigerator has learned my wife's baking love and the periodicity of her passion. It keeps pace with egg replenishments, just as it plans for everything else my refrigerator is proud to stock. Give it time, and the refrigerator will tell me what I want and when. Life is easier than before. Life is boring as well. Less routine. Less replenishment planning oriented. In time my pal the refrigerator will tell me why we should not be consuming so many eggs a week for a family of 4. It, he, she or they (I have started respecting the algorithm that put my refrigerator mind together) might even want to guide me to the latest research on the subject of how many eggs are good.

The algorithm is more alive than before. It is influencing everything. It is making a lot of things easier than ever before. In many ways, it is giving birth to newer nuanced algorithms. Many of these have the ability to tell me what to do and what not to do. In the beginning I thought man made the algorithm. Today, the algorithm is making me.

My list of detailed and involved algorithm interventions in our lives today tells me there are a total of 186 spaces already touched. As the months go by, expect more and more of every space being touched. With the ability of quantum computing yet to be unleashed, the future looks loaded in favour of the algorithm and its superabilities to be the biggest intrusive and influencing factor in our lives.

Many of us will not realise it, but there is a little bit of the algorithm in our lives already. The reactive algorithm is a reality today. The proactive algorithm is waiting in the wings, just as it is waiting to give all of us wings, even as we silently complain as to how a whole lot of decision-making is not in our hands anymore.

On that note, cheers to the person of the year, the algorithm.

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RELIGION IN THE TIME OF UNCERTAINTIES

C P SURENDRAN

Poet, novelist, and screenplay writer. His latest novel is *One Love and the Many Lives of Osip B*

A few months ago, Elon Musk said 'woke' was a virus and he would not rest till he destroyed it. Apart from other motivations, he said he 'lost' his young son to the left as the progressive establishment wholeheartedly assisted the boy's irrevocable transition to become a girl.

What must a father or mother do when they lose the right to protect their children from what they consider legitimate personal choices when the wards are legally minors? The problem is not personal. It is cultural, social and political. When does a child's individual preference get precedence over a well-meaning and god-fearing family's rights?

Except there is no god; the family, too, is a disintegrating unit in the West. In *The God Delusion* (2006), Richard Dawkins critiques the idea of a supernatural deity and argues against the 'god hypothesis'. He contrasts a creator-designed world with a naturalistic worldview, where the universe is governed solely by physical laws.

Dawkins is not the first to challenge the idea of a creator. Since the 1850s, when Charles Darwin published *On the Origin of Species*, the idea of god has been on a shaky ground. But at no point in history has he/she been more challenged. Secularism, a kind of deification of the human, has taken centre stage.

Humanity's move from divine right to human rights and the individual's central role in the universe seems to be a second stage of the Renaissance. But if neither god, king, priest, mother or father are acceptable as figures of authority, how does that crowded absence impact society? Remember, these are the days when the very idea of the hero is dead. Can secularism fill the void? Not too well, it turns out.

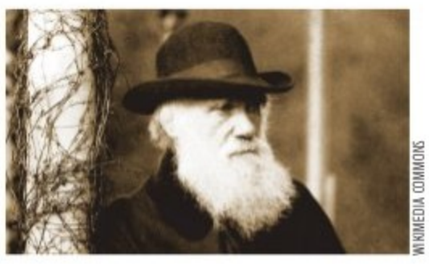
To a great extent, this explains the results of the recent US elections, in which a strong patriarchal, anarchist-libertarian like Donald Trump won against a seemingly stable, warm and rational person like Kamala Harris.

Even more than the dire economics of the American situation, MAGA has been a cultural correction. Commentators described it as a 'fork in the history of civilisation' because they thought the fringe and the 'looney left' had taken over the American mainstream culture.

In *21 Lessons for the 21st Century*, Yuval Noah Harari discusses the role of nationalism and religion in contemporary society. He suggests that in times of uncertainty, people often gravitate towards these constructs to find meaning and stability.

From our own experience, we know that nationalism can foster a sense of community and shared purpose. Caste and class divisions did not much affect the unifying, grand narrative of the freedom struggle.

This is not to blindly defend god or race. I am a disbeliever. But in many cases, both factors play a part in the generally accepted notion of nationalism. Can there be an England without the Anglican church and Anglo-Saxons? Or India without lord Ram and Hindus? Without these fictions, it becomes hard to define a nation.



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> Since the 1850s, when Charles Darwin published *On the Origin of Species*, the idea of god has been on a shaky ground. Yet, in times of uncertainty, people often gravitate towards nationalism and religion to find meaning and stability. So it can be a reliable tool to unify the multiverse of India

So, when Prime Minister Narendra Modi is trying to 'unify' the multiverse of India through appeals to traditional forces such as religion, he is merely tapping into a rich, reliable vein. One of the great challenges of power is to hold things together.

On the other hand, Rahul Gandhi would like to play the underprivileged card as he believes a resurgence in that quarter amounts to national progress.

But that, too, is politics: Rahul is, after all, the opposition. Because it is not very difficult to solve the caste impasse. For example, if you arrive at an acceptable minimum income for the underprivileged, then really all you need to do is directly transfer sufficient affirmative doles to their accounts. In the space of a generation, they are likely to find themselves more proportionately represented in society.

Rapid technological and economic changes too can lead societies to gravitate toward 'strong' leadership. The extension of identity politics, cancel culture, and virtue supremacism may eventually fragment societies into tribes of competing grievances, making their return to broader, unifying narratives more appealing.

Indeed, this is possibly why the world is shifting to strong leaders. Strength is seductive. The strong offer the one thing we are constantly in short supply of: hope. In the war between believers (the right) and non-believers (the left), believers tend to win. Why? Because believers tend to fight more for their convictions.

In *Submission* (2015), a controversial novel by Michel Houellebecq, François, a middle-aged literature professor at the Sorbonne François is represented as a decadent and liberal. He is disillusioned with his life; marked by failed relationships, academic stagnation, and a sense of existential ennui. He likes good wine, good food, and women. He believes in nothing. He is a critic of Western secular values.

Against this backdrop, in the presidential elections, the Islamic Brotherhood, led by Abbes, emerges as a strong, peaceful, centrist force capable of uniting disparate factions. To block the far-right National Front, the mainstream political parties form an alliance with the Brotherhood, enabling Abbes to become the president.

In the world of the novel, the liberals play into the hands of a strong third party that believes. François does not much care as his career is looking up under the new dispensation. Houellebecq's point is that in a given situation, believers tend to win. This is a problematic point. But we will need to address it sooner or later to see why India—and the rest of the world— is going where it is.

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Simplify GST

Ref: *GST's popcorn moment leaves everyone with bitter aftertaste* (Dec 23). The increasing complexities in GST structure are disturbing. But the government alone cannot be blamed for this state of affairs. All the state finance ministers are represented in the GST Council and they should recommend a simplified model for implementation.
Rajarao Kumar, Bengaluru

Taxing opulence

It is true that GST is becoming ever more complex with every passing GST Council meeting. One fails to understand why the council does not consider snacks items served in star hotels and lavish dinners of rich people to generate tax instead of targeting the poor man's popcorn enjoyed by all. If this complex nature of GST continues, I am afraid state governments may boycott future council meetings as a protest.
Jayaprakash Reddy, Nalgonda

Cover borewells

Ref: *Get tougher laws to stop borewell deaths* (Dec 23). Deaths due to children falling into borewells is quite sad. Borewell owners can easily protect the area with a fence or cover the top. But the lethargic attitude and less awareness among owners is the reason for this type of unwanted incidents.
S Chockalingam, Kottaram

Secure borders

Ref: *Bangladesh stirring trouble to hide crisis* (Dec 23). It is a matter of concern that Bangladesh is going the Pakistan way in radicalism and fundamentalism. The nexus between the two countries is a worrisome development to India. It has become necessary for India to secure its borders with security forces so that infiltration and terror attacks are averted.
R Sridharan, Chennai

Common celebrations

Ref: *When festivals hop over religious lines* (Dec 23). It was a heartening read as the author identified the values that Christianity and Hinduism commonly celebrate. At a time when people are being divided so much, such an article is more than welcome.
V Suresh, Chittoor

Festive cheer

The author has rightly pointed out the commonalities of different religions. It is true that most Hindus share the happiness of celebrating Christmas. Christians also have Indianised their approach to worship. The festive mood catches many Hindus as true love has no religion.
P Prema, Thanjavur

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POSTS OF THE DAY

Chandra Shekhar Aazad @BhimArmyChief
Dawood Ali was beaten to death by some unknown persons on 22 September 2022 in Vinaypur village of Khekra police station area of Baghpat district of Uttar Pradesh.

Jairam Ramesh @Jairam_Ramesh
The bullet train announced by BJP has not arrived, but inflation, which is running faster than the bullet train, has broken the back of the common man.

Derek O'Brien @derekobrienmp
"Your view is PF. Not Provident Fund, but Political Federalism. We don't like you, we'll block your funds for Awas Yojana & MNREGA."

'SHOULD EVALUATE ONOE IN NATIONAL INTEREST'

P Chaudhary, former Union Minister of State for Law and now Chairman of the Joint Parliamentary Committee of the Constitution (One hundred and twenty-ninth (Amendment) Bill, 2024 and the Union Territories Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2024, is hopeful that the JPC, with its erudite and experienced members, will come out with the report in the national interest, he said in a conversation with **Rajesh Kumar Thakur**. **Excerpts:**

Amid the political heat surrounding the issue, the Modi government has tasked you with heading the JPC. Why do you think this concept is needed for India in the coming years?
As a member of the JPC, I believe it is crucial to evaluate this proposal in the national interest. I am hopeful that every member of this JPC who holds profound experiences and will come out in the national interest with their erudite suggestions on the concept.

Since independence, the country has conducted over 400 elections for the Lok Sabha and State legislative assemblies. This creates significant administrative, financial, and governance-related challenges. Each election cycle imposes logistical costs of thousands of crores while also disrupting policy-making due to the Model Code of Conduct. This often results in policy paralysis. Additionally, repeated elections burden citizens with voter fatigue and disrupt daily life. I believe that simultaneous elections could help achieve a more synchronised and streamlined electoral system that is both cost-effective and development-focused. This proposal aligns with PM Narendra Modi's vision of reducing inefficiencies in governance and enhancing democratic processes.

Opposition parties argue that this concept is unconstitutional or a well-thought-out strategy to curtail the influence of regional parties through the ONOE initiative. As a BJP MP, how do you respond to this claim?
I must emphasise that the JPC's task is to objectively evaluate all aspects of the proposal, including such concerns. However, I personally believe that these claims lack merit. Indian voters have repeatedly demonstrated their ability to differentiate between national and state-level issues. For example, in Maharashtra's Hazoor Sahib Constituency, the Congress won the Lok Sabha seat while losing all the assembly segments in the same region during simultaneous elections. This reflects the maturity of India's electorate.From a constitutional perspective, ONOE is well within the bounds of adaptability. The Constitution allows amendments to Articles 82, 83, 172, 327, and others to synchronise election cycles without compromising democratic or federal principles. ONOE aims not to marginalise any political entity but to enhance efficiency and focus on the electoral process.

Verbatim

You are widely regarded as one of the leading legal experts in constitutional law. Do you believe that the implementation of ONOE is feasible within the current framework of the Constitution?
I am of the studied view that it aligns with the Constitution's inherent flexibility. Implementing ONOE may require amendments to Articles 83, 85, 172, and others, but these changes focus on procedural synchronisation rather than altering the federal structure.

What are the main objectives of the JPC in exploring the ONOE concept and ensuring that it aligns with constitutional principles and expert opinions?
As laid out in the parliamentary resolution, the JPC's primary objective is to evaluate the two Bills. The complexity of the subject necessitates thorough consultations and detailed deliberations. The committee's role is to ensure its recommendations are grounded in constitutional principles, expert opinions, and stakeholders' collective will.

Is there a specific time frame for the JPC to submit its report?
The JPC has been tasked with submitting its report by the first day of the last week of the next session. This timeline reflects the urgency of the matter. I am confident that the JPC will work diligently to present a well-rounded report that facilitates informed decision-making.

As a legal expert, what potential hurdles related to ONOE do you anticipate facing in the JPC?
Achieving political consensus is likely the most significant goal. Some stakeholders may perceive ONOE as favouring national over regional interests, which requires open dialogue and engagement. Additionally, logistical challenges, such as procuring additional EVMs, VVPATs, and training personnel, will need to be addressed. Aligning election cycles for existing legislative bodies and addressing scenarios like mid-term dissolutions or no-confidence motions are also critical questions.

Is it true that issues could arise concerning states with shorter terms (less than six months) during the general election process under this ONOE concept?
Assemblies nearing the end of their terms during a synchronised election may require temporary governance solutions, such as extending or curtailing their tenure. The JPC must explore mechanisms to address these scenarios while maintaining continuity of governance and upholding democratic principles.

Opposition parties claim that implementing ONOE by 2034 is not feasible. Do you agree with this assertion?
I beg to differ. The High-Level Committee's report highlights that ONOE is feasible. The report has outlined a roadmap for phased implementation, beginning with aligning state elections over a few years. With strong political will, stakeholder collaboration, and meticulous planning, I believe the necessary reforms can be enacted to make simultaneous elections a reality well before 2034.

Building young talent key for New India: Modi

Distributes over 71K appointment letters to new recruits in govt depts under Rozgar Mela

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Monday distributed 71,000 appointment letters in central government departments to new recruits with a call to encourage "Yuva Pratibha" (Young Talent) to ensure holistic and true development. Notably, 29% of the 71,000 recruits belong to the OBC category, while Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes account for 15.8% and 9.6%, respectively.

In a virtual address, Modi said India was reaching new heights of progress across all sectors, adding: "From space to defence, from tourism to wellness, India is touching new heights in every sector."

Addressing the women recruits among the appointees, the PM said their accomplishments would inspire other women. "Our aim is to empower women to become self-reliant in every domain."

Discussing the outcomes of the nation-wide "Rozgar Melas", Modi claimed that his government has provided nearly 10 lakh permanent government jobs to youth in the last one-and-a-half years. Young people are at the centre of his government's policies and programmes, he asserted.

He advised the youth on working for the nation's development. "The development of any country comes from the hard work and the potential and leadership of its youth.... the talented youth of India are at the center of every policy and decision in India".

He highlighted his government's key initiatives and hailed India's economic progress that has resulted in India growing from the eleventh to the fifth largest economy and its emergence as the world's third-largest startup ecosystem. "In India today, when a young person decides to launch a startup, a comprehensive ecosystem is in place to support them. Similarly, when they aspire to build a career in sports, they are assured of opportunities," he asserted.

200 Vande Bharat sleeper trains in line

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

THE Indian Railways is preparing to launch 200 Vande Bharat sleeper trains following the success of its chair car trains, which have reportedly received positive feedbacks in the regions they are running through. A senior railway official said that the first rake of the Vande Bharat sleeper trains has been rolled out for simulation testing. "The production of 10 sleeper trains is currently underway as part of the broader plan to introduce 200 such trains," the official said.

The first prototype of the Vande Bharat sleeper rake, manufactured by BEML, was rolled out from the Integral Coach Factory after its quality standards were checked in Chennai for field and simulation trials. "At present, the loaded simulation trials of the Vande Bharat sleeper train are being conducted to assess its performance at speeds of 130 kmph and 180 kmph under varying conditions," official added.

The Research Designs & Standards Organisation (RDSO), Lucknow is reportedly supervising the loaded simulation trials. "The simulation trials are being conducted on this first prototype Vande Bharat train to evaluate its performance and overall stability with loads. This has been designed to run at speeds of up to 180 kmph initially, with a composition of 16 coaches of Class I to III," another senior official told this newspaper.

Since Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw is monitoring the project in line with PM-Narendra Modi's vision, the project is expected to come on tracks in next few years for commercial purposes.

According to Vaishnaw, 10 Vande Bharat sleeper trains are under production to cater to long- and medium-distance journeys. He said the manufacture of 200 Vande Bharat sleeper rakes has been assigned to technology partners, with the timeline for the rollout dependent on the successful completion of trials.

At present, 136 Vande Bharat trains, consisting of chair cars, are operational on broad gauge electrified networks. Responding to a question, Vaishnaw recently told the Lok Sabha that all Vande Bharat trains operate with an overall occupancy of more than 100%.

In addition to the Vande Bharat services, the railways has increased production of Linke Hofmann Busch (LHB) coaches. "Over 36,933 LHB coaches have been manufactured between 2014 and 2024, compared to 2,337 coaches produced during 2004-14," the minister told Parliament recently.

PMO steps in, asks health ministry to act against misleading adverts

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @ New Delhi

THE Prime Minister's Office (PMO) has directed the Health Ministry to take "appropriate action" to amend the draft Drugs and Magic Remedies (Objectionable Advertisement) Act, 1954, which aimed to take stringent action against misleading advertisements, including Ayush medicines.

The health ministry has been sitting over its draft for four years. The draft amendment widened the scope of the act by introducing 24 diseases and disorders, including the fairness of skin, improvement in the height, premature ageing, and drugs for treatment for enhancing sexual performance.

The PMO's direction came following a complaint filed by Kerala-based Dr K V Babu last month after the health ministry continued to sit over its draft amendment to DMR Act, 1954. In its response, dated December 21, the PMO said, "The letter of the applicant received from Dr Babu KV is forwarded herewith through online mode on the PMOPG portal for action as appropriate. A reply may be sent to the petitioner, and a copy of the same may be uploaded on the portal."

"The proposed amendment to the Drugs and Magic Remedies Act is the fallout of the harsh criticism of the Parliamentary Standing Committee in 2018. Though the proposal has been in the public domain for almost five years, it is yet to be enacted," Dr Babu said.

He added that the Supreme Court's decision to reprimand yoga guru Baba Ramdev for circulating misleading advertisements of his Ayush products, including Drishti eye drops, with the claim that they treat glaucoma or cataracts, double vision, colour vision, and night blindness, has exposed the loopholes in the existing drug laws. "I hope the intervention will put an end to the inaction on the part of the Ministry of Health in enacting the amendment, which they have been sitting over for the past four years," said Dr Babu.

Dr Babu said he filed the complaint with the PMO after he received an RTI reply from the health ministry that the amendment to the draft "is still pending..no further noting is available."

The ministry proposed the amendment to the DMR Act, 1954, on February 3, 2020. This act applies to all drugs, including Ayurvedic, Siddha, Unani, and Homoeopathy medicines. It prohibits the advertisement for specific purposes of remedies and treatments alleged to possess magic qualities.

The government came out with the draft bill after concerns were raised on the implementation and effectiveness of the DMR (Objectionable Advertisement) Act, 1954, the ministry had informed Dr Babu.

Four-year delay
PMO's direction came after a complaint filed by Kerala-based Dr K V Babu after the health ministry sat over its draft amendment to DMR Act, 1954 for 4 years. The amendment widened the scope of the act.

Army's equine, canine unit falls short on training, animal transport use: CAG

MAYANK SINGH @ New Delhi

THE Indian Army's Remount and Veterinary Corps (RVC) fell short of achieving half of its training objectives and failed to fully utilise its Animal Transport (AT) Units, revealed a recent audit conducted by the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) of India on the defence services.

The RVC, headed by the Director General, is responsible for breeding, training and managing health of the entire equine and canine population in the Indian Army. The CAG's audit report, covering the period from 2018-19 to 2020-21, was presented in the winter session of Parliament last week.

"Three out of the six short-term training goals as per the technical training directive of RVS, related to import of frozen semen of proven elite stallions from European countries to upgrade the sporting potential of Army equines; training of raptors to hunt down drones/surveillance devices; and training of local breeds of dogs to assess their suitability for employment as military working dogs, were either not achieved or under-achieved," the CAG has observed in its report.

The report contained the results of an audit of the transactions of the ministry of defence pertaining to the department of defence, army, Military Engineer Services, Border Roads Organisation, and Defence Research and Development Organisation in 2020-21.

The audit was also conducted on the deployment of the AT Units which serve as the lifeline for the soldiers deployed in the difficult terrain and in bad weather conditions. The AT Units of the Army are composed of horses and mules, and are a critical part of animal transport convoys carrying ammunition and ration essentials in high-altitude and difficult terrain of various sectors.

"In four out of five selected Animal Transport Units (ATs), the distance between the ATs and the dependent deployment ranged between 174 kilometres and 534 kilometres resulting in extra expenditure on transportation of mules and under-utilisation of ATs ranging between 89.46 per cent and 10.74 per cent," the report found.

The Army describes mules of animal transport units as a vital link in the logistics chain in remote regions under most challenging conditions. A dedicated AT wing is an inbuilt part of all border guarding units of Indo-Tibetan Border Police tasked to operate in high altitude sub-zero terrain for supply of ammunition, rations, water and other stores. The logistic convoys have a pivotal role in keeping the axis of maintenance alive in areas where no roads exist.

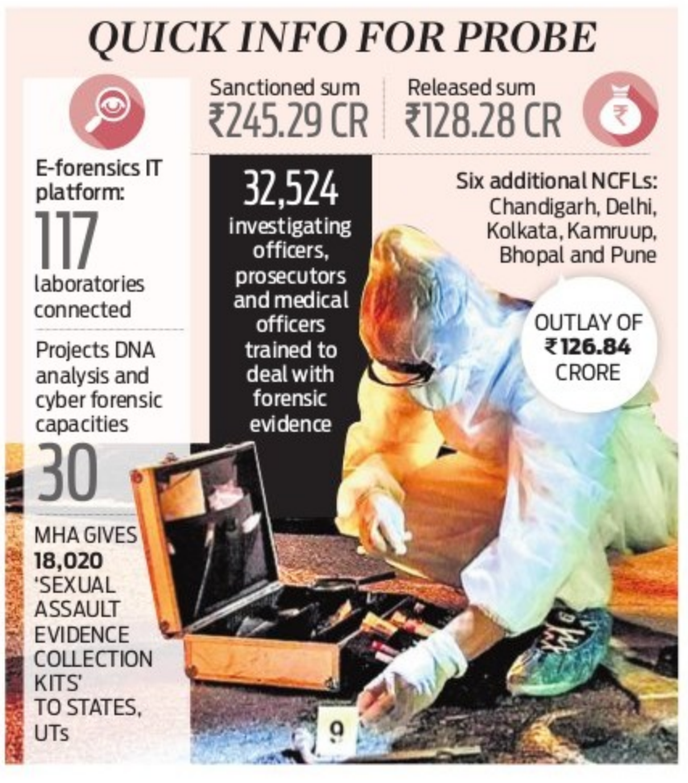
E-forensics platform to connect 117 labs: MHA

MUKESH RANJAN @ New Delhi

KEEPING in view the special importance given to forensic evidence after implementation of revamped criminal laws — Bhartiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS) and Bhartiya Sakshya Sanhita (BSS), the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has developed and operationalised an e-Forensics IT platform, which is connected with 117 forensic science laboratories across the country, officials said on Monday.

The officials said in order to further strengthen 'DNA Analysis and Cyber Forensic Capacities' in the State Forensic Science Laboratories, all projects, (30) which were received from the state governments and the U-T administrations, have been given ₹128.28 crore out of the total ₹245.29 crore.

As part of its effort to further expedite forensic analysis and reduce backlogs in laboratories, the MHA has set up three new Central Forensic Sciences Laboratories (CFSLs) at Bhopal, Guwahati and Pune and upgraded the existing CFSL at Kolkata with latest state-of-art machinery and equipment.



The Centre also approved setting up of six additional NCFLs in the country at the CFSLs Chandigarh, Delhi, Kolkata, Kamruup, Bhopal, and Pune with an outlay of ₹126.84 crore.

A senior official said, "So far, 32,524 IOs, prosecutors and medical officers have been trained to deal with forensic evidence. The MHA has also distributed 18,020 'Sexual Assault Evidence Collection Kits' to the states and the UTs."

The official said that besides the initial campus of the national Forensic Science University (NFSU) in Gandhinagar (Gujarat) and Delhi, "an in-principle approval has been provided for setting up of five additional off-campuses of the NFSU in Goa, Agartala, Bhopal, Dharwad, and Guwahati".

However, these are currently operational from transit campuses till the construction of permanent campuses, the official said, adding that the Union Cabinet also approved setting up of "National Forensic Infrastructure Enhancement Scheme", which inter-alia includes the component for nine additional campuses of the NFSU with financial outlay of ₹1,309.13 crore from financial year 2024-2025 to 2028-2029.

Meanwhile, to ensure quality in forensic tests, the MHA's Directorate of Forensic Science Services has issued a set of guidelines including 'Quality Manuals for accreditation of laboratories as per NABL standards (ISO 17025)'.

POWER SHORTAGE

Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister Omar Abdullah on Monday directed officials to take effective measures to address power shortages and ensure adequate essential services for residents.

2 HELD FOR BEATING MAN TO DEATH IN MIZORAM

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	27	18	Mumbai	28	28
Bhopal	25	14	Panaji	32	24
Jaipur	22	15	Patna	35	27
Amritsar	20	07	Lucknow	36	22
Chennai	28	25	Port Blair	28	24
Kolkata	26	17	Imphal	31	19
Srinagar	07	-02	Chandigarh	35	19

● Outrage over Ahmedabad incident, Cong demands arrest of accused ● Somnath held for protest over damage to Constitution replica

Protests erupt after idol of Ambedkar vandalised

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA
@ Ahmedabad

A statue of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar was vandalised in Ahmedabad's Khokhra area on Monday morning, sparking outrage amid the ongoing controversy over a contentious statement by Home Minister Amit Shah in Parliament about the Dalit icon.

The incident occurred outside Jayanti Vakil's Chali, opposite K.K. Shastri College, where miscreants damaged the statue by breaking its nose and glasses. Local passersby discovered the statue's nose damaged. As the news quickly spread, angered residents staged a sit-in protest.

Congress MLA Jignesh Mevani condemned the incident and warned about launching a fierce agitation if swift action is not taken.

A crowd gathered at the scene, and the police were alerted about the incident. Authorities suspect unknown individuals conspired to cause the damage and the Khokhra police have filed a complaint against unidentified persons. Investigations are underway.

"We have registered a complaint in the matter and are actively working to apprehend the accused," said Ahmedabad ACP Krunal Desai.

Residents stage a sit-in protest in Ahmedabad on Monday | EXPRESS

Mevani said of the incident: "The comments made by Home Minister Amit Shah against Babasaheb Ambedkar in Parliament have sparked widespread anger among Dalits across India and Gujarat".

According to him, the desecration was premeditated: "While the echoes of this controversy are yet to settle, an attempt was made in Ahmedabad's Khokhra area to vandalize Babasaheb's statue using a sledgehammer, damaging its glasses and nose."

He accused the BJP government of "emboldening casteist elements in Gujarat". This "anti-constitutional mindset" is giving such elements the courage to carry out actions that provoke anger within the Dalit community," Mevani said, adding: "This is not just vandalism; it is an attempt to disturb peace and deliberately mock and provoke Dalits."

He asked the police to register an FIR against the accused and arrest them in 24 hours. He warned, "if swift action is not taken, we will be compelled to launch a fierce agitation."

BJP MLA from Maninagar, Amul Bhatt, who visited the spot, told the media: "The government is taking this matter very seriously, and I assure the residents that the accused will be caught within 24 hours."

Parbhani youth killed for being Dalit: Rahul

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

CONGRESS MP and Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi on Monday met the family members of Somnath Suryawanshi, who allegedly died in police custody in Parbhani and alleged he was killed because he was a Dalit. "The young man, Suryawanshi from Parbhani, was a defender of the Constitution. He was murdered because he was a Dalit. His death occurred in police custody, and strict punishment should be meted out to those responsible for his killing," Rahul Gandhi said.

Somanath Suryawanshi was allegedly killed in police custody following his arrest in connection with a protest against vandalising the replica of the Indian Constitution in Parbhani, Maharashtra, a few days ago. However, CM Devendra Fadnavis refuted the allegations and said that Suryawanshi died due to asthma.

Rahul Gandhi interacted with the youth's family members for nearly half an hour and consoled them. He also inquired how the events leading to his death unfolded.

Later, he also met the family members of Ambedkarite activist Vijay Wakode and offered his condolences. Wakode died while attempting to restore peace during the unrest.

Rahul Gandhi meets family of Somnath Suryawanshi in Maharashtra | PTI

The Congress leader alleged Suryawanshi died due to police brutality in custody. "The perpetrators of this murder must face stringent punishment. Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis provided false information during the Maharashtra state legislative assembly during the winter session in Nagpur. The CM is equally responsible and accountable for the death of Suryawanshi. Justice must be served for the Suryawanshi family. RSS ideology seeks to dismantle the Constitution."

Maharashtra Congress president Nana Patole said his party would move a privilege motion against the chief minister for giving false information to the state Assembly about Suryawanshi's death. "CM Fadnavis, by suppressing the truth about Suryawanshi's murder, claimed in the Assembly that Suryawanshi died due to asthma. However, the post-mortem report attributes his death to police assault."

Patole added that the BJP was committing atrocities against marginalised communities, including Dalits, tribals, and minorities. Congress will continue to raise its voice against such injustices and work to ensure justice for the victims' families, he said.

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Cong leadership yet to decide on Patole's fate

The Congress leadership has yet to decide on Nana Patole's future as the party president in Maharashtra. Patole recently submitted his resignation to party chief Mallikarjun Kharge, taking responsibility for the party's defeat in the state elections. In his brief resignation letter, he asked the party to determine the status of his resignation, indicating he was willing to step down if the party desired, or continue if they chose to reappoint him. He indirectly attributed the party's loss to the electronic voting machines (EVMs), stating that the reasons for the defeat are no longer a secret.

Perform or perish: CM's message to ministers

During the recent cabinet expansion, CM Devendra Fadnavis sent a loud and clear message to his party leaders by not only inducting new faces but also assigning them key portfolios. While senior ministers received less significant portfolios, the newer, less established political leaders were given important roles. This shift indicates that future cabinet restructuring will depend on the performance of the ministers. Also, the allocation of portfolios is not permanent, he has conveyed. Those who do not meet expectations may face consequences similar to the senior leaders who now hold less prominent positions.

No appointments without CM's approval

To ensure the smooth operation of his government, Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis has directed his ministers not to appoint personal assistants or officers on special duty without his approval. This move is intended to make sure that suitable individuals are placed in the appropriate roles. In 2014, when Fadnavis previously served as chief minister, he issued a similar order, which led to the appointment of individuals closely associated with the BJP and RSS. He aims to implement the same system again to maintain both direct and indirect control over the government and its administration.

College students locked up inside hostel for hours

MUKESH RANJAN @ Ranchi

AS many as 90 students of Government Polytechnic College in Saraikela were allegedly locked inside the hostel for at least two hours on the behest of the principal for failing to pay the contribution money for the fresher's party being charged forcefully by them.

According to the students, the principal threatened to ruin their career if they did not pay. Though the incident occurred on Saturday, the matter came to light on Monday after it flashed on social media.

The students were released only after they called up the police from captivity. They also used social media to appeal for justice, which prompted the police to take action. According to students, they were released only after the police intervened.

Principal Shrikant Prasad, however, said that the fifth-year students were isolated for creating uproar and opposing the felicitation of the day scholars. "As I was informed a few days back that some of the students did not want the fresher's party to be successful and may create trouble, I had isolated them for some time and did not let them go out of the hostel."

Three Khalistani terrorists killed in Pilibhit encounter

Weapons recovered from the terrorists | PTI

NAMITA BAJPAI AND HARPREET BAJWA
@ Lucknow/Chandigarh

Three suspected Khalistani terrorists allegedly involved in the grenade attack in Gurdaspur were killed in an encounter with police in Pilibhit early on Monday. Two AK-series assault rifles and two Glock pistols were recovered from their possession, Pilibhit SP Avinash Pandey said. Punjab's DGP Gaurav Yadav called the encounter a major breakthrough against a Pakistan-sponsored terror module. The success comes after three blasts which took place in different districts of Punjab this month.

The gunfight between members of the Khalistan Zindabad Force (KZF) and a joint team of UP and Punjab police took place in Puranpur area of Pilibhit after three module members opened fire at the police party.

DGP Yadav said the three have been identified as Varinder Singh alias Ravi (23), Gurvinder Singh (25) and Jashanpreet Singh alias Partap Singh (18). They are residents of Kalanaur police station and are accused of hurling a hand grenade at the Bakshiwala police post in Kalanaur in Gurdaspur district on December 18. KZF had later used social media platform to claim the responsibility for this act of terror.

Amitabh Yash, ADG (law and order), UP, said the trio was involved in the grenade attack on a police checkpoint in Gurdaspur. "The three sustained serious injuries in the encounter and were immediately rushed to CHC Puranpur for treatment," he said. The ADG said the three suspects later succumbed to their injuries. The DGP said preliminary investigation has revealed that the terror module is

controlled by Pak-based Ranjeet Singh Nita, the chief of KZF, and operated by Greece-based Jaswinder Singh Mannu, a native of village Agwan village in Kalanaur. Accused Varinder alias Ravi, who was leading the module, also belongs to Agwan village. He was being further controlled and masterminded by UK-based Jagjeet Singh, DGP Yadav said.

Pak-sponsored terror module

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Manipur govt announces to make 1,946 new police recruits peace messengers

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

THE Manipur govt will make an endeavour towards restoring peace in the ethnic violence-hit state by not disintegrating a team of 1,946 newly-inducted India Reserve Battalion personnel from Meitei, Kuki, Naga and other communities who were trained together in Assam.

Talking to media on the sidelines of their passing out parade at the Lachit Borphukan Police Academy in Dergaon on Monday, CM N Biren Singh said they were trained together and they would work together.

"I said it in my speech that as they underwent training together here, they will also work together in Manipur. It will be the beginning of an effort to restore peace. There will not be any division (on ethnic lines). We will try to maintain the unity that Manipur had before," Singh said replying to a query.

He also said that the division of communities was caused by the situation. It was not there before and now, the state government will not allow this to happen, he added.

The violence between Meiteis and Kuki-Zo tribals, which broke out on May 3 last year, had ethnically partitioned the state, with people from the two communities living and working in areas where they are in a large majority.

Given the situation, the recruits were flown to Assam to undergo the training. They are likely to be brought back by road. Singh said the training of these recruits from 10th and 11th IR battalions could not be organised in Manipur due to the situation arising out of the conflict.

"When I took up the matter of their training in Assam with my colleague and Assam counterpart Himanta Biswa Sarma, he immediately agreed. I am thankful to him, Assam government, Assam police and the state people of Assam," Singh said, adding that, "There are still complications in the Manipur situation and it will take time to restore peace. You must have seen peace is slowly returning."

UP plans crash course on RTI Act at Sangam during Mahakumbh 2025

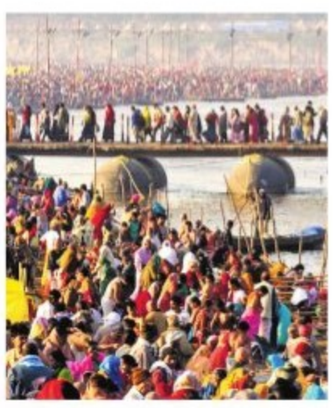
NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

INTRODUCING new features to the Mahakumbh, the Uttar Pradesh government has decided to sensitise the visitors about the Right to Information on the sands of Sangam. The initiative aims at empowering the devotees and visitors with the easy accessibility to information about their rights.

UP CM Yogi Adityanath, who took a stock of the preparedness for the Mahakumbh-2025 in Prayagraj on Monday, urged the people to collaborate in making this event a resounding success through their high standards of hospitality.

Mahakumbh will commence on January 13 and continue till February 26, 2025.

All Information Commissioners (ICs), including Chief Information Commission, of Uttar Pradesh will be present at Mahakumbh to sensitize devotees over various aspects of RTI. Moreover, the pilgrims will also be introduced to digital methods for accessing information.



They will engage with the devotees to discuss steps that can be taken to enhance the effective use of the RTI. In consonance with the PM and Adityanath's call for a digital Mahakumbh, the Information Commission of Uttar Pradesh has stepped in to take the campaign forward.

A special camp will be set up in Mahakumbh Mela area, where digital experts will guide devotees on RTI and how to access it through platforms such as Google, Facebook, X, Instagram, and WhatsApp.

Information Commissioner Virendra Singh Vats said that the RTI was a powerful tool for creating a corruption-free environment in the state. "Efforts are, therefore, being made to ensure that the rights of common citizens are protected and that the devotees attending the Mahakumbh are made aware of the same," he stated.

He added that for the first time efforts on such a large scale were being made to educate devotees about their rights at Mahakumbh. "Every bit of information related to the RTI would be disseminated to the public, and there would be discussions in which the Information Commissioners would be engaging with the public," added Vats.

Meanwhile, Adityanath called upon the people of Prayagraj showcase the outstanding hospitality during Mahakumbh which was not merely a religious congregation but also an exceptional opportunity for branding country's prosperous cultural heritage.

Snowfall in Himachal, severe cold alert issued

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

HIMACHAL Pradesh experienced its second light snowfall of the season on Monday, bringing joy to both locals and tourists. As word spread, visitors vacationing in Shimla and the higher reaches of the Kullu-Manali, Kinnaur, and Lahaul-Spiti districts eagerly emerged from their houses and resorts to enjoy the snow.

The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has issued an orange alert for severe colds in the Bilaspur, Una, Hamirpur, and Mandi districts for four days starting Monday. It also forecasts light rain and snowfall at a few places in the mid and higher hills till Thursday.

Light snow greeted people in the morning at some places in the capital of the hill state, which soon turned heavy. Tourists in the hill town for Christmas were delighted and seen dancing in the snow. Also, tourist spots in Kufri and Narkanda, besides higher reaches, including Kharapathar, Chaurdhar, and Chanshal, witnessed snowfall. Moderate snowfall also lashed several places in the Kullu-Manali, Kinnaur Lahaul and Spiti districts. Meanwhile, the lower regions of both districts are witnessing light drizzling.

ALL SET TO CHARM TOURISTS

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As per the weather department, snow will likely continue in Shimla and adjoining areas. The weather department has forecast a cold wave at many places in the state with rain and snow in mid and higher reaches on Monday, Tuesday, Friday and Saturday.

A yellow warning for dense fog over parts of the Bakra Dam reservoir area and Balh Valley in Mandi has been issued from Tuesday to Thursday and thick ground. As per IMD, frost is expected in isolated parts of the lower hills during this period.

Mandi was cloudy throughout the day, with temperatures dropping drastically. At minus 10.6 degrees Celsius, Tabo was the coldest in the state, while Sumdo, Kusumseri and Kalpa recorded lows of minus 5.3 degrees Celsius, minus 3.7 degrees Celsius and minus 2.5 degrees Celsius, respectively.

Fresh snowfall in the upper regions is expected to attract more tourists, particularly those looking to indulge in winter sports and enjoy the picturesque snow-clad mountains.

The hoteliers in the Kullu-Manali and Shimla who have been grappling with a sluggish season are pinning their hopes on the snow to kick start tourism. As snowfall intensifies, locals and the hospitality industry anticipate a boost in the number of visitors.

Shimla Hotel and Tourism Stakeholders Association president M K Seth said that there are heavy bookings for Christmas and over 30% advance booking for the New Year.

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e-Tender Notice

Office of the Executive Engineer (Civil), UJVNL, Pashulok Barrage Rishikesh invites online bids from interested parties. Brief summary of tender is given below:

Tender No.: 10/2024-25/EE(Civil)/UJVNL/Pashulok Barrage

Name of work: Refurbishment of Damaged Seepage Drain along with the Power Channel of Chilla HEP at Ganga Bhogpur Talla.

Estimated Cost: Rs. 4,68,61,672.96 Only (GST Extra)

Date of availability of bid document on website: From 17:00 hrs of 24.12.2024.

Last date for submission of bids on website: Upto 17:00 hrs of 17.01.2025.

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TENDER NOTFICATION

(Through GoK e-Portal Platform https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in)

Two Cover Tenders are invited through GoK e-portal **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** by the director, Indira Gandhi Institute of Child Health, Bangalore-560029 from eligible tenderers for the Maintenance of the following Services mentioned hereunder :-

Sl. No.	Name of the Work	E.M.D. (Rs.)	Period of Completion
1	BIO-MEDICAL WASTE MANAGEMENT & DISPOSAL (DME/2024-25 SE0358)	20,000/-	As per Tender Document
2	TRANSPORTATION AND DISPOSE GENERAL WASTE (DME/2024-25 SE0359)	20,000/-	As per Tender Document
3	TENDER FOR PEST & RODENT CONTROL. (DME/2024-25 SE0360)	20,000/-	As per Tender Document

Tender Documents may be downloaded from Date: **23.12.2024**. Last Date and Time for Receipt of Tenders: **22.01.2025 upto 3.00 PM.** Last Date and Time of Opening of Technical Bid: **23.01.2025 at 3.00 PM.**

For further detail visit GoK e-portal Website: **https://kppp.karnataka. gov.in** or contact e-procurement helpdesk on 080-25501216, 080-25501227.

Sd/- Director
Indira Gandhi Institute of Child Health

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RAIL COACH FACTORY, KAPURTHALA

On-line bids are invited by PCMM, RCF on behalf of President of India for following items:-

S. No.	Tender No. and Due Date	Description	Quantity (Nos./Sets)	EMD (Rs.)
1.	14241226 13.01.2025	PVC Flooring Roll	875 Nos.	8,07,590/-
2.	12241473 15.01.2025	Adaptor for Euro Lavatory for LHB Coaches	2508 Nos.	1,08,320/-
3.	12241436 22.01.2025	Retention Tank for LHB Coahes (Without Flushing Arrangement)	336 Nos.	4,81,720/-
4.	13245385 15.01.2025	Renewal of License subscription of Sophos XG 650 Firewall as per specifications attached.PL No. 570600850012	01 No.	83,290/-
5.	12241474 24.01.2025	Intercar Gangway Mounting	1585 Nos.	16,11,910/-
6.	17241654 16.01.2025	1. Supply of One Rake Set of Seats without Seat Fixing Profile for Trainset-18	16 Sets	50,00,000/-
		2. Set of Spares Items of Seats Per Rake of Vande Bharat Coaches	16 Sets	
7.	17241586 17.01.2025	Set of FRP Sidewall Panel for LHB GS Coaches.	100.00 Set	20,00,000/-
		Set of FRP Ceiling Panels for LHB GS Coaches.	100.00 Set	
		FRP Side Wall Panels for LHB AC3T Coaches.	100.00 Set	
		Set of Ceiling Sheets, Cover Angles and End Connector for LHB AC 3Tier Coaches	100.00 Set	
		Set of Ceiling Sheets for LHB SCN Coaches	100.00 Set	
		Set of FRP Side Wall Panels for LHB SCN Coaches	100.00 Set	
8.	12241441 17.01.2025	Set of Roof Panels for 3-Phase MEMU/TC Coaches	201 Set	8,24,740/-
		Set of FRP Roof Panels for 3-Phase MEMU/ DMC Coaches	42 Set	
9.	12241515 21.01.2025	Set of Honeycomb Partition Frame for LHB First AC Coaches	13 Set	8,70,570/-
		Honeycomb Partition Frame Set for AC 3 Tier (EOG) Coach	165 Set	
		Set of Honeycomb Partition Frame for LHB AC 2-Tier Coaches	34 Set	
10.	12241480 16.01.2025	1. Supply of One Coach set of Aluminium Extrusion/Moulding for LHB SCN Amrit Bharat Coaches. Aluminium Extrusions/Mouldings may be supplied in 2M Length Minimum and Higher Lengths also acceptable (Note-Item where specified Length is Lesser than 2M to be supplied as per Item description). Colour Shade RAL 090 9005 to be followed (REF MD46271 Dated 30.09.24).	140 Set	13,53,350/-
		2. Supply of One Coach set of Aluminium Extrusions/Mouldings for LHB SLR Amrit Bharat Coaches. Aluminium Extrusions/Mouldings may be supplied in 2M Length Minimum and Higher Lengths also acceptable (Note-Item where specified Length is Lesser than 2M to be supplied as per Item description). Colour Shade RAL 090 9005 to be followed (Design LNO. MD46271 Dt. 30.09.24).	45 Set	
		3. Supply of One Coach set of Aluminium Extrusions/Mouldings for LHB GS Amrit Bharat Coaches. Aluminium Extrusions/Mouldings may be supplied in 2M Length Minimum and Higher Lengths also acceptable (Note-Item where specified Length is Lesser than 2M to be supplied as per Item description). Colour Shade RAL 090 9005 to be followed (Design LNO. MD46271 Dt. 30.09.24).	192 Set	
11.	12241511 21.01.2025	1. Lavatory Window with Fixed Louvers and sealed Glass Unit for LHB Coaches	3701 Nos.	4,03,150/-
		2. Fixed Window for LHB Coaches	280 Nos.	
		3. Emergency Openable Window	123 Nos.	
12.	17241435C 17.01.2025	Set of Seats for L.H.B. GS Amrit Bharat Coaches	111.00 Set	20,00,000/-
		Set of Seat and Berth for L.H.B. SLR Amrit Bharat Coaches	26.00 Set	
13.	05241825 17.01.2025	Set of Partition Frame for Amrit Bharat Non AC Hot Buffet Car	28 Sets	2,62,800/-
14.	07241510 15.01.2025	Supply of Installation Commissioning & Testing	39 Set	7,83,830/-
			34 Set	
		Stainless Steel Tubes and Double Ferrule Fittings (Four Type)	6 Set	
			62 Set	

1. For details and making on-line bids, visit website **http://ireps.gov.in**. Drawings/specifications, wherever required can be downloaded from RCF website **http://www.rcf.indianrailways.gov.in**. Class III-b digital signature certificate required for on-line bidding, can be obtained from licensed certifying agencies listed at **http://www.cce.gov.in**. **2.** Tenders will close at 14.25 Hrs. on due date and tenders will be opened at 14.30 hrs. Tender at Sl. No. 1 to 12 will be opened at RCF Kapurthala and Sl. No. 13 to 14 will be opened at Tilak Bridge, New Delhi. **3.** For queries, contact IREPS Helpdesk at 011-24102855, 011-24105180 or RCF helpdesk at 011-23378658.

Note: GST Number of RCF is 03AAAGM0289C1ZT. All the suppliers are advised to quote this in dispatch documents for the supplies made by them.

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CORRIGENDUM

Tenderers may please note the following changes in Tender No. 14241226 Due on 13.01.2025, Approving Agency to be read as RCF instead of ICF. **All other terms & conditions will remain the same.**

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R.O. No. 103-S/2024-25 Dated 23.12.2024

PUBLIC NOTICE

My clients propose to purchase the schedule property from the owner **Mrs. MEERA SITARAM,** W/o. Mr. Nagaraj V.N, residing at # 11350 N 131ST PL, SCOTTSDALE AZ 85259, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, presently camping at Bangalore. Any person or persons having any claims/objections for the above sale transaction may lodge their claims/objections with documentary evidence within FIFTEEN (15) DAYS from the date of publication of this notice with the undersigned, failing which, thereafter my client shall proceed to complete the sale transaction in respect of the schedule property. Any claims received beyond stipulated period will not be entertained.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

Residential immovable property bearing Corporation Khata No.126/122/299 (old CITY/BDA Site No.299), situated at Kengeri Satellite Town, Bangalore, Ward No.159-Kengeri and including all rights, privileges and appurtenances thereto on site measuring : EAST TO WEST : 60-0 Feet, NORTH TO SOUTH : 40-0 Feet, TOTAL AREA: 2400 Square Feet and bounded as follows : EAST BY : Site bearing No.296, WEST BY: Road, NORTH BY : Site bearing No.300, SOUTH BY: Site bearing No.298.

Sd/- Mr. SADASHIVA M.H ---ADVOCATE---
KRM ASSOCIATES LAW FIRM, No.137,
Bhagyalakshmi Complex, Ground Floor, 5th Main,
3rd Stage, 2nd Block, Basaveshwaranagara
BANGALORE – 560 079.
Ph.No.9980816715, Email: sadashivamh@gmail.com

Date: 24.12.2024
Place: Bengaluru

SOUTH INDIAN Bank

CIN: L65191KL1929PLC001017

Regional Office: SIB Arcade, #61, Wheeler Road, Cox Town, Bangalore – 560 005. Tel./ Fax No: +91 80-25479091 / 92
E-mail: **ro1010@sib.co.in**.
Website: **www.southindianbank.com**

Notice U/s. 13(2) of Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (hereinafter referred to as ACT r/w Rule 3(1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002)

To, **Borrowers: 1. Mr. Venugopal,** No.11, Shanumangala, Bidadi Hobli, Ramanagara, Bengaluru, Karnataka -562109.

Mr. Venugopal, being the Principal Borrower Car Loan of **Rs.7,00,000/- (Rupees Seven Lakh only)** from THE SOUTH INDIAN BANK LIMITED, having its registered office at 'SIB House', T B Road, Thrissur – 01, Kerala and one of its Regional Offices at SIB Arcade, # 61, Wheeler Road, Cox Town, Bangalore-560005 and one of its Branches at Bidadi, No.32, IKON Nursing College Campus, Bangalore-Mysore Road, Manchanayakanahalli, Bidadi, Ramanagara, Karnataka-562109 by executing necessary documents / acknowledging the debt and security on **18.02.2020** as to Car Loan and is secured by the asset scheduled below (hereinafter referred to as Secured Asset).

The said account was classified as Non Performing Asset in our accounts on **03.10.2024** and we had issued notice under S.13(2) of the Act on **03.12.2024** demanding total payment of **Rs.3,26,755.19 (Rupees Three Lakh Twenty Six Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Five and paisa nineteen only)** as on **02-Dec-2024**, plus further interest and costs within 60 days from the date of receipt of the notice. However, as you have avoided service of the said notice, this public notice is issued pursuant to Rule 3(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Hence, you are hereby called upon by this notice to discharge your liabilities in full within 60 days of this notice, failing which, we shall, without any further reference, be constrained to enforce the secured assets scheduled below by exercising all or any of the rights given under Section 13(4) of the said Act.

You may further note that as per Section 13(13) of the ACT, you are restrained / prohibited from disposing of or dealing with the below security or transferring by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in the ordinary course of business) any of the below secured assets, without our prior written consent. Please note that this publication is made without prejudice to such rights and remedies as are available to the South Indian Bank Ltd., against the borrowers and the guarantor as per law.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

SCHEDULE : (Movable properties secured to the account)

Description of Movable Properties : Hypothecation of Magma Gray Coloured Maruti Suzuki Baleno Zeta (BS4) –Petrol Motor Car with Chassis Number MBHEWB22SLA432641 and Engine Number K12MP4006071, manufactured by Maruti Suzuki India Ltd. in January 2020 and bearing Registration No. KA04MX5214 of Bengaluru (N) RTO, registered on 06-03-2020 in the name of Mr. Venu Gopal.

Date : 23.12.2024 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bengaluru **Chief Manager**

यूनियन बैंक ऑफ इंडिया Union Bank of India

Asset Recovery Branch, Bengaluru North

No.1234,1 ST Floor, 4 th Main, Opp. Chandralayout Bus Stop, Bengaluru – 560040
Mail Id:arb.bengalurunorth@unionbankofindia.bank , Mobile: 9003223669

POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule - 8 (1)] (For immovable Property)

Whereas: The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **Union Bank of India, Asset Recovery Branch, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru, (Account transferred from Sanjay Nagar Branch)** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest 2002 (Second) Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **07.09.2023** issued by our **ARB-Bengaluru North** calling upon the **Borrower/s 1. V. Ramesh** S/o Venkataramana Gowda, No.32,Vanigarahalli, Doddabelavangala Hobli, Doddaballapur Taluk, Bangalore - 561203. **Guarantor 2. Mr.Poorna Chandra V** S/o Venkataramana Gowda, No.472,19th Main Judicial Layout, Yelahanka, Bangalore - 560063. to repay the amount mentioned in the notice of **Rs. 90,42,821 /-** (Rupees Ninety Lakh Forty Two Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty One Only) and interest thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement) Rules 2002 on this **21st December 2024.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Union Bank of India, **Asset Recovery Branch, Bengaluru North** for an amount being **Rs.90,42,821 /-** (Rupees Ninety lakh forty two thousand eight hundred twenty one Only) and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Schedule of the property: Property – 1: All that piece and parcel of the land bearing S.No.60/7 (3 acres) situated at Vanigara halli, Doddabelavangala Hobali, Doddaballapura Taluk, Bangalore Rural District belonging to Sri. V.Ramesh bounded: On the East by : Land of Venkataswamygowda, On the West by: Remaining extent in same survey number, On the North by :Land of Chandramouleshwara Enanti, On the South by : Road.

Property -2: All that piece and parcel of land bearing Khatha No.5963,Site No.3 situated at Gangadarpaura 4th Stage 4th ward, Doddaballapur 561203 measuring East to West 30 feet North to South 40 feet belonging to Sri.V.Ramesh and bounded: On the East by : Site No 28 of Yoganarasimhamurthy, On the West by : 25 feet Road, On the North by: Site No.32, On the South by : Site No 30.

Date: 21.12.2024 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bangalore **Union Bank of India**

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

(CIN: U40109KA1999SGCO25521)
No.941/EEE/TLSS/KLB/AEE(O)/F-47/2024-25/5049-54 Dt: 21.12.2024

CAUTION NOTICE

KPTCL wants to bring to the notice of the public of **all the Talukas of Kalaburagi district, that 400 kv, various 220 kV and 110 kV EHV overhead Power transmission lines are in charged condition and carrying very high voltage and current in the conductor in and around the Kalaburagi District. The above Transmission lines pass through every Taluk of the District and are connected to the following Sub Stations for providing power supply viz 400kv Firozabad, 220 kV Receiving Station Kapanoor, 220kV Receiving Station Nimbarga (Ganagapur), 110 kV Sub-Station Aland, 110 kV Sub-Station Farhatabad, 110 kV Sub-Station Kadaganchi, 110 kV Sub-Station Kapanoor, 110 kV; Sub-station Madiyal, 110 kV Sub-station Mahagaon, 110 kV Sub-Station Kalaburagi (North), 110 kV Sub-Station Kalaburagi (South), 110 kV Sub-Station Kalaburagi (University), 110 kV Sub-Station Kalaburagi (west) and 110 kV Sub-Station Nandur Kesaratagi, 110 kV Sub-Station Rudrawadi as well as solar power generators.**

Hence all the Public of Kalaburagi District are hereby directed to not to touch or go near these towers, not to through wet hay, wet twigs, conductor etc to the Transmission lines, don't tie animals to the Transmission towers or near the towers, planting trees under the Transmission line corridor, construction / temporary shed construction, fixing of pumpset starter switch board, tiding of LT wire of pumpset cables etc., such type of practices will be leads to hazardous to animals as well as human beings and may result in electrocution resulting into fatal/non fatal electrocution leading to interruption of power transmission network. Hence to avoid any electrical accidents the KPTCL is requesting all the general public and consumers to be more careful and take safety precautions under the restricted Transmission line infrastructures and corridors. If any electrical accidents occur due to violation of above hazardous activities, the KPTCL will not be responsible for the risks.

Sd/-, Executive Engineer (Ele),
TL&SS Division, KPTCL, Prasarana Bhavana,
Sedam Road, Kalaburagi.

PUDUCHERRY TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

PUDUCHERRY - 605014

No. PTU/BD/F.616/2024/1855 Date: 20.12.2024

PRESS NOTICE FOR e-TENDER

On behalf of the Puducherry Technological University, Puducherry, tenders are invited through e-tendering system for the work of **"Construction of a building for Academic Complex inside the Puducherry Technological University under RUSA fund"** up to 3.00 p.m. on 06.01.2025. The terms & conditions and N.I.T. can be downloaded from the website **www.pudutenders.gov.in**

No.393/DIP/AD(Press)/2024-25 EXECUTIVE ENGINEER

PSPCL Punjab State Power Corporation Limited

(Regd. Office: PSEB Head Office, The Mall, Patiala-147001)
Corporate Identification Number (CIN) : U40109PB2010SGC033813, Website : www.pspcl.in
(Contact Number 9646117606)

Tender Enquiry No.: 162/MM-I/MAMC-268/O&M/GHTP/2024

Dy. Chief Engineer, Mechanical Mtc. Circle-I/GHTP, Lehra Mohabbat invites E-Tender for renewals & replacement of existing centralized Air Conditioning system of UCB control rooms of 2x250 MW unit-3 & 4 Stage-II, GHTP, Lehra Mohabbat. For detailed NIT & tender specification please refer to **https://eproc.punjab.gov.in** from **23.12.2024 from 16:00 PM** onwards.

Note: Corrigendum and addendum, if any will be published online at **https://eproc.punjab.gov.in**

1183/GHTP-101/24-12/23/2024
76155/12/3744/2023/40146

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that my client intends to purchase the Schedule Property from **SMT. S. E. KUSUMANJALI,** D/o. Sri. N. Siva Kumar, residing at No.91, 17th Cross, 14th Main, 4th Sector, HSR Layout, Bengaluru -560102.

Any person having any objection regarding the said sale transaction, may contact the undersigned advocate with relevant documents within **15 days** from the date of this publication failing which it shall be deemed that there is no objection of any nature and my client will complete the sale transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Khaneshumari No.1, BBMP Khatha No.834/844/01 (Katha No.71/4/3), formed in Assessment No.83/4 & 84/4, Situated at Hennur Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, now within the limits of BBMP in Ward No.24, measuring East to West 88 feet and North to South 73 feet, totally measuring 6424 Sq feet., and bounded on as follows:-

East by : Property belonging to Sri. S.E.Arun Kumar,
West by : Road,
North by : Road,
South by : Private Property.

Consisting Temporary Metal Sheet Structures measuring **4 squares** approximately with electricity connections.

Sd/- **K.R.Bharadwaj & Associates,**
Advocates,
No.30, 1st Floor, Above Medplus, Sukh Sagar Cross Road, 3rd Cross, 3rd Main K.K. Halli, Bangalore -560084.
Ph. 9844011141
E-mail: krblawassociates@gmail.com

IN THE COURT OF THE IX ADDL CITY CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE, AT BANGALORE
O.S. No. 3012 of 2019 (CCH-5)

BETWEEN: SMT. KRISHNAMMA& ORS ...Plaintiffs
AND: SRI. A. NAGARAJU & ORS ..Defendants

NOTICE / SUMMONS TO THE DEFENDANTS No. 1 to 4, 6 AND 19 BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

To: **1. SRI. A. NAGARAJU,** S/o late Munirapa @ Annayappa, Aged about 79 years. .....**DEFENDANT NO. 1**
2. SMT. SUJATHA, W/o. Sri. Narayanaswamy, Aged about 52 years ...**DEFENDANT NO. 2**
3. SMT. DHAKSHAYANI, W/o. Sri. Lakshminarayana, Aged about 49 years ...**DEFENDANT NO. 3**
4. SMT. NIJAGUNA, W/o Nagaraj R, Aged about 47 years, ...**DEFENDANT NO. 4**
All the above are R/at, Kariyamma Agrahara Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk.
5. SMT. KALAVATHI, D/o A Ramaiah, Age 50 years, R/at Panathur Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk ....**DEFENDANT NO. 6**
6. SMT. NAIDU VENKATA SESHAMMA, W/o Srinivasalu Reddy, Aged about 70 years, R/at Leburu Nellore District, Andra Pradesh, **DEFENDANT NO. 19**

Whereas the Plaintiffs has preferred this suit against the Defendants seeking the relief Declaration and Injunction and other reliefs with respect to the Suit Schedule Property. You are hereby summoned to appear before this Court on **06.02.2025** at about **11:00 A.M** in person or through you Advocate/Pleader to answer the questions to the same. Failing which the matter will be heard and determined as ex-parte.

Suit Schedule Property

All that piece and parcel of the agricultural land bearing Sy No. 20/2B (Old Sy No. 20/2) of Kadubeesanahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, measuring 1 acre 3 ½ guntas together with compound and shed, bounded on **East by** :Land of Munivenkatappa, **West by:** Land of Munirappa @ Annaiyappa, **North by:** Government Road and **South by** :Land of Chikkaramaiah.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court, that **19th day of December 2024.**

By Order Of The Court, Asst. Registrar
City Civil Court, Bangalore

FREUD RICHARDSON, Advocate.
Office at No. 281, 17th F Main, 3rd Cross, 5th Block, KHB Colony, Koramangala, Bengaluru – 560 095.

AXIS BANK

Plot No. 41, Seshadri Road, Anand Rao Circle, Bangalore-560009

DEMAND NOTICE

A notice is hereby given that the following borrowers have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of credit facilities obtained by them from the bank and said facilities have turned in to Non-performing Assets. The notices were issued to them under section 13 (2) of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act. 2002 on their last known addresses, however the same have returned un-served and as such they are hereby informed by way of public notice about the same.

Sl. No.	Name & Address of the Borrower	Schedule Property	Notice Date	Bal. O/S (Claimed) in Rs.
1	**(1) Mr. Yunus Pasha** S/o Mr. F. M. Anwar, **(2) Mrs. Seema Banu, Mr. Yunus Pasha, Both are residing at:** No.14, G-5, Inlinite Silver Manor Apartment, AMC Main Road, M M Layout, KB Sandra, Bangalore North, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560032. **Property Address:- Mr. Yunus Pasha** S/o Mr. F. M. Anwar, **Mrs. Seema Banu, Mr. Yunus Pasha,** No. 75, Katha No. 27/1, Pid No. 94-171-40, 1st Main Road, Kadugondanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore-562123.	**Description Of Property Belongs to Mrs. Seema Banu W/o. Mr. Yunus Pasha A M** All that piece and parcel of the Residential building consisting of Basement, Ground, First, Second And Third Floor, constructed on Site No. 75, Khata Assessment No. 27/1, New Municipal No. 40, Situated at 1st Main Road, Eastern Side of Shampura Main Road, Kadugondanahalli, Kasaba Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru, PID No. 94-171-40, Ward No.23-Nagawara. Measuring: East to West : 30 feet and North to South : 40 feet, in all measuring 1200 Sq. Ft Bounded On The: East By: Site Bearing No.74, West By: Site Bearing No.76, North By : Road, South By : Site Bearing Nos. 72 & 73. **Description Of Property Belongs to Mrs. Seema Banu W/o. Mr. Yunus Pasha A M** **Schedule "A" Property (Description of the entire property):** All that piece and parcel of a residential Vacant Site bearing No.42, Kaval byrasandra Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru District, measuring to an extent of 16,150, sq. fts, now coming within the limits of BBMP property bearing Municipal No.14, 1st Main Road, Ambedkar Medical College Road, M. M. Layout, Bengaluru 560032, PID.NO.95-102- 14/4. Bounded On The: East By : Property allotted to Sri. A. Chandrashekar, West By: Doddanna's Land, North By: Road, South By: Doddanna's Land. **Schedule 'B' Property (Description of the Undivided share of land hereby conveyed under this sale deed):** 574 square feet of un-divided share, rights, title and interest in the land in the Schedule A Property Schedule 'C' Property (Description of the Flat hereby conveyed under this sale deed): All that Residential Apartment bearing flat bearing No. G-005, 3BHK in Ground Floor, with a super Built-Up Area of 1650 Sq. ft in the A building known as Silver Manor, Situated At 1st Main Road, Ambedkar Medical College Road, M. M. Layout, Bengaluru- 32. PID No.95-102-14/4 inclusive of proportionate share in common areas, passages, lobbies, staircases and other areas of common use, with one covered car parking area in basement floor. **For any clarification, please contact Mr. Prem, Contact No.8880041234.**	22.11.2024 NPA Date 13.10.2024	Loan No. PHR168807143452 POWER HOME VANILLA BRE Loan Amount Rs. 1,42,67,437/- O/s Amount Rs. 1,35,54,614/- --- Loan No. PHR168806336899 POWER HOME VANILLA BRE Loan Amount Rs.67,15,639/- O/s Amount Rs. 51,52,543/- --- Total O/s Amount of Rs. 1,87,07,157/- (Rupees One Crore Eighty Seven Lakhs Seven Thousand One Hundred and Fifty Seven Only) due as on 13.11.2024
2	**(1) Mr. S Rajesh Agarwal @ Homesh Agarwal** No.423, 6th B Main, HRBR Layout, 2nd Block, Kalyan Nagar, Nr Petrol Bunk, Bangalore-560043. **Also at: Mr. S Rajesh Agarwal @ Homesh Agarwal,** Proprietor Lalitha Jewellers, No.415, 4th B Main, HRBR Layout, 2nd Block, Opp ICICI Bank, Kalyan Nagar, Bangalore-560043. **(2) Mrs. Shefali Agarwal,** No.423, 6th B Main, HRBR Layout, 2nd Block, Kalyan Nagar, NR Petrol Bunk, Bangalore-560043.	**Description Of Property Belongs To S Rajesh Agarwal S/O Late Sohanlal** **Schedule 'A' (Description of the entire property on which the Project is being developed):** All that piece and parcel of property presently bearing Kannur Grama Panchayathi Khata No. 122/2 (Survey No. 122/2) bearing E-Khata/PID No. 150200400200220511 and Kannur Grama Panchayathi Khata No. 122/3 (Survey No.122/3) bearing E-Khata/PID No.150200400200220513, both situated at Kannur, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk (earlier Kannur Grama Panchayathi Khata No. 1257/255/122/2/122/3, Kannur comprising of residentially converted land bearing Survey No.122/2, measuring 1 Acre 37½ Guntas and residentially converted land bearing Survey No. 122/3, measuring 2 Acres 35 Guntas), both situated at Kannur Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, measuring in all about 4 Acres 32½ Guntas or 19475.49 square metres (the physically available area being 19409.58 square metres (i.e., about 4 acres 32 guntas) and together bounded on as follows: On the East: Land bearing Survey No 122/1, West : Land bearing Survey No. 121, North : Nala and thereafter land bearing Survey No.14, South Road. **Schedule 'B' (Description of Undivided Share Conveyed under this Sale Deed):** An undivided 3073 square feet share in the land comprised in the Schedule 'A' Property which is corresponding to the Schedule 'C' Row Apartment taking into consideration the FAR achieved on the actual physically available area of the Schedule A' Property: **Schedule 'C' (Description of the Row Apartment constructed by the Purchaser through the Developer under a separate Construction Agreement):** All that Row Apartment presently bearing Kannur Grama Panchayathi E-khata No./PID No.150200400200220644, Kannur Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk that is a Row Apartment bearing No.76 in "G" Block of the Project known as "ALANOVILLE" on the Schedule 'A' Property, comprising of ground, and two upper floors and terrace on the third floor, having a Carpet area of 236.80 square metres (i.e., 2548.92 square feet of Carpet Area) and 320.51 square metres of super built up area (i.e., 3450 square feet of super built up area) (i.e., inclusive of proportionate share in Common Area and Common Area utilized for housing the non-exclusive Common Amenities and Facilities of the Project) and the non- exclusive right to use the Common Areas, Common Amenities and Facilities of the Project. **For any clarification, please contact Mr. Ashish Kadu, Contact No.9821889078.**	22.11.2024 NPA Date 10.11.2024	Loan No. 917030026391368 SUPER SAVER Loan Amount Rs. 1,80,00,000/- --- O/s Amount of Rs.1,69,77,492/- (Rupees One Crore Sixty Nine Lakhs Seventy Seven Thousand Four Hundred And Ninety Two Only) due as on 20.11.2024

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above borrowers and/ or the guarantors (where ever applicable) are advised to make the payments of outstanding dues as mentioned above along with future interest and applicable charges within 60 days from the date of the publication of this notice failing which further steps will be taken after the expiry of 60 days of the date of this notice as per the provision of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act. 2002. Please note that under Section 13(13) of the said Act, no Borrower shall, after Receipt of Notice referred to in Sub-section (2), transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise any of his secured assets referred to in the notice, without prior written consent of the secured creditor.

The Borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of sub-section (8) of sections 13 of the Act. The borrowers may redeem the secured assets by paying the dues of the secured creditor together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred at any time before the date of publication of notice for public auction or inviting quotations or tender from public or private treaty for transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale of the secured assets.

Place : Bangalore **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Date : 12.12.2024 **Axis Bank Ltd.**

JAWAHARLAL NEHRU PORT AUTHORITY

INDIA'S BEST PERFORMING PORT
(PORT PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT)
3 DEVELOPED INDIA MISSION

ISO 9001:2015, ISO 14001:2015, ISO 27001:2013, ISO 45001:2018 CERTIFIED

SHORT E-TENDER NOTICE

Tender No. JNPA/PPD/Land/T- 17(R)/2024 Dated 23.12.2024

On-line Tenders in single stage two cover system (Technical & Price Bids) and e-auction methodology are invited by Jawaharlal Nehru Port Authority (JNPA), Navi Mumbai from 24.12.2024 to 21.01.2025 from experienced and reputed firms fulfilling Minimum Qualifying Criteria (MQC) for **"E-TENDER CUM E-AUCTION FOR ALLOTMENT OF VACANT LAND PARCELS BEHIND PUB FOR TANK FARM ON LEASE FOR 30 YEARS".** Tender fee is **23,600/-** (non- refundable). Detailed Notice Inviting Tender and the tender document is available on JNPA website **"www.jnport.gov.in** or **https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app.**

Chief General Manager (PP&D)

WESTERN RAILWAY

MATERIAL MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

VARIOUS MATERIALS SUPPLY

E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE No. S/69/2024 Date 18.12.2024

S.N.	Short Description of Item	Quantity	T.O.D.
748	Overload breaking excitation relay (QE).	87 Nos	15-Jan-25
749	Loctite 518 Sealant 250 ml	896 Nos	20-Jan-25
750	ENDLESS 'V' BELT SIZE C-122	20331 Nos	21-Jan-25

Regarding detailed notice EMD, Purchase restrictions and detailed tender conditions, please visit website www.ireps.gov.in and www.wr.indianrailways.gov.in 0861

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भारत सरकार अंतरिक्ष विभाग इसरो नोदन कॉम्प्लेक्स निर्माण एवं अनुरक्षण समूह महेंद्रगिरि पी ओ-627 133 दूरभाष : 04637-28-1672 | 1582 | 3582 फैक्स : 04637 – 281681

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEPARTMENT OF SPACE ISRO PROPULSION COMPLEX CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE GROUP MAHENDRAGIRI PO - 627 133 Telephone: 04637 – 28-1672 | 1582 | 3582 Fax: 04637 – 281681.

ई-निविदा सूचना / E-TENDER NOTICE

दिनांक/Dated : 20-12-2024

भारत के राष्ट्रपति की ओर से, निम्नलिखित कार्य हेतु **ई-निविदा** द्वारा मद-दर निविदाएं आमंत्रित की जाती हैं।
On Behalf of the President of India, item-rate tenders are invited through **e-tendering** for the following work:

क्र. सं. / Sl. No.	कार्य का नाम / Name of Work	प्राक्कलित लागत / Estimated Cost ₹(लाखों में) (in Lakhs)	कार्य पूरा होने की अवधि / Period of completion	ईएमडी / EMD(₹)
1	एनआईटी सं:आईपीआरसी/ सीएमजी/ टीडी/ ई-141/ एमडब्ल्यू-05/2024-25	NIT no:IPRC/CMG/TD/e-141/MW-05/2024-25		
	कन्याकुमारी में अंतरिक्ष विज्ञान एवं प्रौद्योगिकी पार्क (एसएसटीपी) के लिए संग्रहालय भवन का निर्माण (सिविल एवं पीएच कार्य)। / Construction of Museum Building for Space Science and Technology Park [SSTP] at Kanyakumari.[Civil & PH works]	1795.77	20 (बीस महीने / Twenty months)	27,96,000

ऑनलाइन निवेदन करने की तिथि: Dates for Online Request : From 24-12-2024[10:00 hours/ बजे] से To: 07-01-2025[23:30 hours/ बजे] तक।
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stealth fighter jets to be acquired by Pakistan from China

GLOBAL WEATHER
LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • LS: Light Snow • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	5	-8	SNY	Los Angeles	18	8	LC
Colombo	30	24	SNY	Melbourne	21	14	LC
Dhaka	27	16	SNY	Moscow	1	0	LS
Dubai	24	19	SNY	New York	2	-2	LS
Houston	23	16	LR	Singapore	30	25	LR
Istanbul	12	10	LR	Toronto	1	-2	LC
London	12	9	LC	Washington	11	7	LC

Don threatens to take back Panama Canal, gets it from Panama's prez

Incoming president says US ships are charged unfair fees; also points to Chinese footprint

WASHINGTON

INCOMING US president Donald Trump on Sunday slammed what he called unfair fees for US ships passing through the Panama Canal and threatened to demand control of the waterway be returned to Washington. He also hinted at China's growing influence around the canal, a worrying trend for American interests as US businesses depend on the channel to move goods between the Atlantic and Pacific oceans.

"Our Navy and Commerce have been treated in a very unfair and injudicious way. The fees being charged by Panama are ridiculous," he said in a post on his Truth Social platform. "This complete 'rip-off' of our Country will immediately stop."

The Panama Canal, which was completed by the United States in 1914, was returned to the Central American country under a 1977 deal signed by Democratic president Jimmy Carter. Panama took full control in 1999.

"It was solely for Panama to manage, not China, or anyone else," Trump said. "We would and will NEVER let it fall into the wrong hands!"

He continued that if Panama could not ensure "the secure, efficient and reliable operation" of the channel, "then we will demand that the Panama Canal be returned to us, in full, and without question."

Panama's president Jose Raul Mulino dismissed recent threats made by US President-elect Donald Trump to retake control of the Panama Canal over complaints of "unfair" treatment of American ships.

"Every square meter of the Panama Canal and its adjacent areas belongs to Panama and will continue belonging to Panama," Mulino said in a video posted to X.

Asked for her comments at a media briefing here, Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson Mao Ning referred to Mulino's assertion of Panama's sovereignty.

"The Panama Canal is a great creation of the people of Panama. It is a golden waterway for connectivity among countries. China has always supported the people of Panama in their just struggle for sovereignty over the Canal," she said.

"China will as always respect Panama's sovereignty over the Canal and recognise the Canal as a permanently neutral international waterway," she said.

A file photo of a cargo ship traverseing through the Panama Canal | AP

Mulino said the fees they are set by experts who take into account operational costs, supply and demand factors.

"Panamanians may have different views on many issues" Mulino said. "But when it comes to our canal, and our sovereignty, we will all unite under our Panamanian flag."

Trump then took to his social media site to offer in response, "We'll see about that!" He posted a picture of a US flag planted in the canal zone under the phrase, "Welcome to the United States Canal!"

AP/AFP/PTI

TRUMP'S NEW THREAT

The 100-year old canal is a new flashpoint in the trade war president-elect Donald Trump is expected to trigger after he gets to occupy the White House in January

The Panama Canal project was initiated in **1900s** and finished in 1914

The **82-km** canal cuts across the central American nation and is the main link between Atlantic and Pacific oceans

UP TO **14,000** SHIPS CROSS THE CANAL EVERY YEAR

The Panama Canal Authority reported in October that the waterway had earned record revenues of nearly $5 billion in the last fiscal year

US controlled it till 1977 and after that shared control with Panama

Washington relinquished control of the waterway to Panama on Dec 31, 1999 under a treaty signed in 1977 by President Jimmy Carter

The Panama Canal is reliant on rainwater, which is in short supply

The main users of the passage are the United States, China, Japan and South Korea

5% of global maritime traffic passes through the canal, which allows ships traveling between Asia and the US East Coast to avoid the long, hazardous route around the southern tip of South America

Stopping child sexual mutilation on 1st day

Donald Trump pledged to "stop the transgender lunacy" on day one of his presidency, as Republicans – set to control both chambers of Congress and the White House – continue their push against LGBTQ rights. "I will sign executive orders to end child sexual mutilation, get transgender out of the military and out of our elementary schools and middle schools and high schools." He also vowed to "keep men out of women's sports"

ROOPPUR NUCLEAR PLANT

$5 bn scam probe against Hasina over N-plant project

DHAKA

BANGLADESH launched a probe into the alleged $5 billion embezzlement connected to a Russian-backed nuclear power plant by ousted leader Sheikh Hasina and her family, the anti-corruption commission said on Monday.

Along with Hasina, the now-former prime minster who fled to India after being toppled by a revolution in August, those subject to the inquiry include her son, Sajeeb Wazed Joy, and niece, Tulip Siddiq, a British lawmaker and government minister.

The allegations were raised by a writ seeking an investigation filed in the high court by Hasina's political opponent, Bobby Hajjaj, chairman of the Nationalist Democratic Movement party.

"We seek justice through our court," Hajjaj said on Monday.

Key allegations are connected to the funding of the $12.65 billion Rooppur nuclear plant, the South Asian country's first, which is bankrolled by Moscow with a 90% loan.

A statement on Monday from the commission said it had launched an inquiry into allegations that Hasina and family members had "embezzled $5 billion" from the Rooppur plant via "various offshore bank accounts in Malaysia".

It said its investigations were examining "questionable procurement practices related to the overpriced construction" of the plant.

"The claims of kickbacks, mismanagement, money laundering, and potential abuse of power raise significant concerns about the integrity of the project and the use of public funds", the commission said.

Graft allegations also include theft from a government building scheme for the homeless.

Hasina, 77, fled by helicopter on August 5 into exile in India, infuriating many Bangladeshis determined that she face trial for alleged "mass murder". It was not possible to contact Hasina for comment.

Siddiq has "denied any involvement in the claims" accusing her of involvement in embezzlement, according to a statement from the British prime minister's office.

Joy, who is understood to be based in the US, was also unavailable for comment. *AFP*

Marcel Ciolacu reappointed Romanian PM

BUCHAREST

ROMANIA's president on Monday nominated incumbent Prime Minister Marcel Ciolacu to lead a new pro-European coalition government in hopes of ending a protracted political crisis in the European Union country following the annulment of a presidential election by a top court.

After deliberations with Romania's political parties, President Klaus Iohannis nominated Ciolacu of the leftist Social Democratic Party (PSD) to try to form a government. Ciolacu, whose party topped the polls in a Dec 1 parliamentary election, has served as prime minister since June last year.

It is widely seen as a tactical push to shut out far-right nationalists who made significant gains in parliament, revealing widespread anti-establishment sentiment.

"It will not be an easy mandate for the future government," Ciolacu said in a statement Monday.

"We are aware that we are in the midst of a deep political crisis. It is also a crisis of trust, and this coalition aims to regain the trust of citizens, the trust of the people." *AP*

Almost all on US death row get life

WASHINGTON

PRESIDENT Joe Biden announced on Monday that he is commuting the sentences of 37 of the 40 people on federal death row, converting their punishments to life imprisonment just weeks before Donald Trump, an outspoken proponent of expanding capital punishment, takes office.

The move spares the lives of people convicted in killings, including the slayings of police and military officers, people on federal land and those involved in deadly bank robberies or drug deals, as well as the killings of guards or prisoners in federal facilities.

It means just three federal inmates are still facing execution. They are Dylann Roof, who carried out the 2015 racist slayings of nine Black members of Mother Emanuel AME Church in Charleston, South Carolina; 2013 Boston Marathon bomber Dzhokhar Tsarnaev; and Robert Bowers, who fatally shot 11 congregants at Pittsburgh's Tree of life Synagogue in 2018, the deadliest antisemitic attack in US history.

"I've dedicated my career to reducing violent crime and ensuring a fair and effective justice system," Biden said in a statement. "Today, I am commuting the sentences of 37 of the 40 individuals on federal death row to life sentences without the possibility of parole. These commutations are consistent with the moratorium my administration has imposed on federal executions, in cases other than terrorism and hate-motivated mass murder."

The Biden administration in 2021 announced a moratorium on federal capital punishment to study the protocols used, which suspended executions during Biden's term. But Biden actually had promised to go further on the issue in the past, pledging to end federal executions without the caveats for terrorism and hate-motivated, mass killings.

While running for president in 2020, Biden's campaign site said he would "work to pass legislation to eliminate the death penalty at the federal level, and incentiviSe states to follow the federal government's example." Similar language didn't appear on his reelection site before he left the race in July. *AP*

Israel's pager blast ops started 10 yrs ago: spies

WASHINGTON

TWO recently retired senior Israeli intelligence agents shared new details about a deadly clandestine operation years in the making that targeted Hezbollah militants in Lebanon and Syria using exploding pagers and walkie talkies three months ago. The agents spoke with CBS '60 Minutes' in a segment aired Sunday night. They wore masks and spoke with altered voices to hide their identities.

One agent said the operation started 10 years ago using walkie-talkies laden with hidden explosives, which Hezbollah didn't realise it was buying from Israel, its enemy. The walkie-talkies were not detonated until September, a day after booby-trapped pagers were set off.

"We created a pretend world," said the officer, who went by the name 'Michael.' Phase two of the plan, using the booby-trapped pagers, kicked in in 2022 after Israel's Mossad intelligence agency learned Hezbollah had been buying pagers from a Taiwan-based company, the second officer said.

The pagers had to be made slightly larger to accommodate the explosives hidden inside. They were tested on dummies multiple times to find the right amount of explosive that would hurt only the Hezbollah fighter and not anyone else in close proximity.

Mossad also tested numerous ring tones to find one that sounded urgent enough to make someone pull the pager out of their pocket.

The second agent, who went by the name 'Gabriel,' said it took two weeks to convince Hezbollah to switch to the heftier pager, in part by using false ads on YouTube promoting the devices as dustproof, waterproof, providing a long battery life and more.

He described the use of shell companies, including one based in Hungary, to dupe the Taiwanese firm, Gold Apollo, into unknowingly partnering with the Mossad. Gabriel compared the ruse to a 1998 psychological film about a man who has no clue that he is living in a false world and his family and friends are actors paid to keep up the illusion. *AP*

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER
UPPER INDRAVATI PROJECT
AT/PO: MUKHIGUDA, DIST:KALAHANDI, ODISHA, PIN: 766026
A-745 e-mail address: cceuip1987@gmail.com / louiipbbs@gmail.com

1. Type of Work : Road works.
2. Total No. of Works : 04 nos.
3. Approximate value of work : Rs. 2.51 to 2.52 Cr (Excluding GST)
4. Tender Paper Cost : Rs. 10,000/-(online)
5. Bid Security/E.M.D : Rs.2,51,072.00 - Rs.2,52,109.00 (Online)
6. Period of Completion : 10 (Ten calendar months).
7. Class of Contractor : 'B' & 'A' Class

Procurement Officer	e-procurement Notice No.	Bid Amount	Availability of online viewing of Tender prior to Bidding From	To	Bid clarification	Submission and Availability bid on-line	Date & time of opening of Technical Bid
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER, UPPER INDRAVATI PROJECT AT/PO-MUKHIGUDA, DIST-KALAHANDI, ODISHA, PIN-766026	766026. CCE, UIP- 04 (01-04) / 2024-25, Dt. 17.12.2024	Rs.2.51 cr to Rs.2.52 cr (Excluding GST)	26.12.2024 (10.00 AM)	10.01.2025 (up to 5.00 PM)	26.12.2024 to 30.12.2024 During office hour	26.12.2024 (10.00 AM) to 10.01.2025 (up to 5.00 PM)	15.01.2025 at 12:00 Noon

Date of opening of technical bid :Dt-15.01.2025 at 12.00 PM in the O/o the Chief Construction Engineer, UIP, Mukhiguda, Kalahandi, Odisha, PIN-766026, Date of opening of financial bid : To be decided after finalization of Technical Bid. Further details can be seen from the Govt. Website www.tendersorissa.qov.in
OIPR-32352/11/0010/2425 **Sd/- Chief Construction Engineer, Upper Indravati Project, Mukhiguda**

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER & BASIN MANAGER
MAHANADI, BRAHMANI & BAITARANI SYSTEM, CHANDIKHOLE
E-mail ID: cembbschandikhole@gmail.com
NOTICE INVITING TENDER
E-Procurement Notice No:-CE&BM, MBBS 02 OF 2024-25
Bid Identification No: CE&BM, MBBS JPD 02 OF 2024-25

A-774: The Chief Engineer & Basin Manager, Mahanadi, Brahmani & Baitarani System, Chandikhole on behalf of Governor of Odisha invites on-line **percentage rate tender** through eprocurement in **double cover system.**

Table - 1: Details of Critical Dates, details of work, Bid Security

Pkg. No.	Name of works	Approx. Tender Cost	Class of Contractor	Bid Security/ EMD-(online)- (in INR)	Cost of tender document- (online)- (in INR)	Period of Completion
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	**Protection to Scoured Bank Bodak Tintor Saline Embankment on Baitarani Left from Bodak to Muan.**	Rs 1236.30 Lakh (Excluding G.S.T)	A & Special Class	Rs. 12,36,400/-	Rs.10,000/-	18 (Eighteen) Calendar Months

Table - 2: e-Procurement Details

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No.	Availability of tender on-line for bidding From	To	Date of Seeking tender clarification	Date & time of opening of Tender Technical Bid	Financial Bid	Place of opening
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Chief Engineer & Basin Manager, Mahanadi, Brahmani & Baitarani System, Chandikhole	CE & BM, MBBS JPD 02 OF 2024-25	Dt 30.12.2024 at 10.00 hours	Dt 20.01.2025 up to 17.00 hours	Dt 30.12.2024 to 17.01.2025 at Office during office hours.	Dt 21.01.2025 at 11.00 Hours	To be intimated after evaluation of Technical Bid.	Office of Chief Engineer &Basin Manager, Mahanadi, Brahmani & Baitarani System, Chandikhole

Further details can be seen from the Govt. Web site **www.tendersodisha.gov.in** *Other Terms & conditions can be seen from the Government website **www.tendersodisha.gov.in** *The Corrigendum/ cancellation of Tender, if any, will be uploaded and can be seen from the above website only.
OIPR- 32415/11/0004/2425 **Sd/- Chief Engineer & Basin Manager, MMBS, Chandikhole**

In the court of Ms. Ruby Alka Gupta
District Judge (Commercial Court)-02, East Room No. 101, (New Building), Karkardooma Courts, Delhi
Case No. : CS (COMM) 87/2024
State Bank of India
V/s.
Manjunatha DK
Mr. Manjunatha DK
S/o Shri Kalaiah,
R/o Devarahalli, Honnavalli,
Distt. Hassan, Karnataka-573102
Also At : Through Commandant
Force No. 145052089
CRPF Camp, Surajpur, Noida,
Gautam Budh Nagar, UP-201306
Mob. 9560072089
The Respondent Above Named
WHEREAS you are intentionally avoiding service of summons it is hereby notified that if you shall not defend the case on the **17-02-2025** the day fixed for the final disposal, it will be heard and determined ex-parte.
GIVEN under my hand and the seal of the court, this 20-12-2024.
Sd/
Seal District Judge (Commercial Court)-02, East Karkardooma Courts, New Delhi

IN THE COURT OF THE XIX ADDL CITY CIVIL AND SESSION JUDGE AT BENGALURU
P& SC No.642/2624 (CCH-18)
BETWEEN:
1.Smt.Meenakshi. N W/o Late G.Karthik Viswanathan Aged about 44 years,
2. Master K.Sathyanarayanan S/o Late G.Karthik Viswanathan Aged about 18 years,
3. Master K.Madhu Abirami S/o Late G.Karthik Viswanathan Aged about 12 years
No.3 is minor represented by their Mother and natural guardian Smt.Meenakshi. N All are residing at No.S3B, Monarch Manor Apartment,
7 Eshwara Layout, Near Citinest Recreation Club, Indiranagar 2nd Stage, Bengaluru-560038.
...PETITIONERS
AND
NIL. ...RESPONDENT
PUBLIC NOTICE
Whereas, the above named has made petition to this court under Section 372 of Indian Succession Act, 1925 for the grant of succession Certificate in favour of the Petitioners, in respect of schedule mentioned below. The below mentioned schedule has held by late **G.Karthik Viswanathan** husband of petitioner No.1 and father of petitioners No.2 & 3 herein who expired **on 21-07-2024.**
Interested parties are hereby called upon to appear before this court in person or by pleader duly instructed **on 22/1/2025** failing wherein the appearances will be heard and declared ex-parte.
SCHEDULE
1) **Bank Name :** Standard Chartered Bank, M.G Road Branch, Bengaluru, **Account Type :** Corporate Savings bank Account, **Account No.** 45610210425, **Amount :** Rs.12,99,500/-
Give under my hand and seal of the court on this day **20th of Dec 2024.**
By the Order of the Court
Senior Sheristedar
City Civil Court, Bengaluru
Advocate Name & Address
Santhosh Kumar S,
Advocates,
Licit-Go-Legal, No.88, Share Space, Borewell Road, Bengaluru-560 066

S. E. RAILWAY – TENDER
NIT No.: ST-CON-JSG-BEH-4TH-LINE, Date: 20.12.2024. Dy. C.S.T.E/Con/HQ/Garden Reach, Kolkata-700045, South Eastern Railway for & on behalf of President of India, invites e-Tender for the the following work: **Name of works:** Provision of Electronic Interlocking system and Auto-Signaling arrangements (Both Indoor & Outdoor) at Stations– Bagdehi & Dhutra, Sections of Bagdehi-Dhutra and Dhutra-Jharsuguda goods yard, Modification of EI at Jharsuguda goods yard & MCL block cabin in connection with 4th lines between Bagdehi-Jharsuguda goods yard and subsequent phase working at stations Dhutra & Bagdehi of Chakradharpur Division of South Eastern Railway. **Advertised value of tender:** ₹ 55,43,86,895.32. **Earnest Money:** ₹ 29,21,900. **Tender document cost:** ₹ 0. **Tender closing date and time:** 15.01.2025 at 15.00 hrs. **Tender type:** Open. Detailed of above tender notice is available on website **www.ireps.gov.in.** **(PR-937)**

Tender Notice No.: 114-ELC-G-KGP-24-25-37, Dt. 20.12.2024. For and on behalf of the President of India, the Sr. DEE/G/ South Eastern Railway, Kharagpur-721301 invites e-Tender for the following work before **12.00 hrs.** on the date mentioned against item. **Description of work:** Electrical work for three years Comprehensive Maintenance for Room Air-Conditioners (Window Model, Split and Tower Type), Refrigerators, Mortuary Cooler and Package Type Air Conditioner of different make and capacity under SSEE(AC)/Kharagpur. **Tender Value:** ₹ 1,20,27,505.60. **Bid Security/E.M.D.:** ₹ 2,10,100. **Date of Opening:** 07.01.2025. **Cost of tender document:** Nil. **Completion Period:** 36 months from the date of issue of Letter of Acceptance. **Date of submission:** Up to 12.00 hrs. of 07.01.2025. Interested tenderers may visit website **www.ireps.gov.in** for full details, description and specification of the tender and submit their bids online. In no case manual tender for this work will be accepted. **Note:** Prospective bidders may regularly visit **www.ireps.gov.in** to participate in all tenders. **(PR-940)**

LIC HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED
BACK OFFICE, 1ST FLOOR, LIC JEEVAN MANGAL, HAYES ROAD, RESIDENCY RD, BENGALURU- 560025
CORRIGENDUM
This corrigendum is published with regards to Super Built up Areas Allotted to the share of the Developer/Land Owner in terms of the Area Sharing Agreement dated 14-11-2014.
The said lines should be read as : Area Sharing Agreement and JDA Dated 24-03-07.
Rest of the contents of in the Sale Notice published on 21-12-2024 remains the same.
Date: : 24.12.2024 Sd/- Authorised Officer
Plce: Bangalore LIC Housing Finance Limited

COURT NOTICE
IN THE HONOURABLE COURT OF THE 3rd ADDL. PRINCIPAL JUDGE FAMILY COURT AT BENGALURU
M.C. No. 6675 / 2022
Between: **Sujatha B R,** Aged about 48 years, W/o. Kumaran K, D/o. Late B. A. Reddappa, R/A: 159/D, 3rd Block, 3rd Stage, 4th Main, Basaveshwara Nagar, Bangalore - 560 079.
...Petitioner
And : Kumaran K, Aged about 51 years S/o. C.G. Kannabiran, R/A. No: 12, Mezephe Cottage, Nagaparadise, Babusapalya, Kalyan Nagar Post, Bangalore - 560 043.
...Respondent
NOTICE UNDER ORDER 5 RULES 20 (1) (i-a) R/W SECTION 151 OF THE OF THE CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE ACT
A Petition is filed against you Sri. Kumaran .K for Divorce and Police Protection and such other reliefs by the Petitioner Smt. Sujatha .B.R Under Section 13 (1) (i-a) and (i-b) of the Hindu Marriage Act and Summons is issued to you to appear **on 15.03.2025** personally or through an Advocate at 11-00 AM to defend the case as per the Order dated 09.12.2024 U.O 5 R.20 (1-A) passed by the Hon'ble III Addl. Family Court, Bengaluru, failing which the Petition will be proceeded and exparte Order will be passed in the above case in your absence, please note.
By order of the Court, Sheristedar, Family Court, Bengaluru.
Advocate for Petitioner: **MANOHAR .P,** No.50, 13th Main Road, Ganganagar, Hebbal Post, Bangalore-560024.
M. 9449404430, advmanoharp@gmail.com
Date: 04/12/2024

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Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD		SILVER		FOREX	
498.58 ▲ Sensex	78,540.17		24 carat (10 gm)	₹77,600	100 ▼ 1 kg	₹91,400	▲ Dollar	85.06
165.95 ▲ Nifty	23,753.45		22 carat (10 gm)	₹71,150	1 ▼ 10 gm	₹914	▼ Euro	88.49

GST rate hike: Used car market faces challenges

Experts say rate hike from 12-18% to impact second-hand vehicle biz

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

USED car market is expected to face headwinds following the GST Council's recent decision to increase the tax rate on used vehicles from 12% to 18%. Industry experts believe that this increase could slow growth and impact businesses that rely on second-hand vehicles.

"Used cars are the backbone of mobility for millions of Indians, especially in Tier 2/3 cities and rural areas, where they serve as an affordable way to achieve the dream of car ownership. In a country with single-digit car ownership, policies that impact affordability, like the recent GST hike, can unintentionally slow down this progress," said Vikram Chopra, Founder & CEO of CARS24.

The GST revision applies to vehicles sold by businesses that claim depreciation and transact on a margin basis. For example, if a used car platform buys a car for ₹2 lakh and sells it for ₹2.4 lakh after refurbishment, the GST will be charged at 18% on the margin (₹40,000). Earlier, GST on such transactions were at 12%. Individual buyers and sellers of used cars will continue to pay 12% GST rate.

Sandeep Aggarwal, founder and CEO of Droom, a used car marketplace, said businesses that purchase pre-owned cars as capital assets such as certain ride-hailing companies and e-commerce platforms, will be hit the hardest by the higher tax rates. "In the last few years, due to ride-hailing, quick commerce, and food delivery, automobiles have become a significant asset to make money. For such businesses, buying used cars has now become more expensive," Aggarwal said.

The tax hike is mainly concerning for the second-hand electric vehicle (EV) segment. While new EVs are taxed at a reduced 5% to encourage adoption, the 18% GST on used EVs may dampen demand in the resale market. Businesses reselling EVs will also face rising operational costs, as repair and maintenance services already attract an 18% GST. Last week, Korean automaker Kia had expressed concerns over the hike in GST on used EVs from 12% to 18%, emphasising that such a move could hinder the Indian automotive industry's electrification journey.

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Razorpay grants employees ₹1L ESOPs to mark 10-yr of operation

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Bengaluru

FINTECH major Razorpay is awarding employee stock option plans (ESOPs) worth ₹1 lakh to all its current employees as part of its 10 years celebration. For many employees, this marks their first-ever ESOP allocation.

ESOPs have long been a valuable means of wealth creation in the start-up ecosystem. Razorpay said it believes that employees are the driving force behind its growth, and ESOP allocations show appreciation for their contributions.

Its first ESOP buyback was in 2018, and that enabled 140 employees to liquidate their vested shares. In 2022, the $75 million ESOP buyback benefitted 650 existing and former employees. Over the past decade, it has grown exponentially, and has reached over 300 million end consumers across the country. With an annualised payment volume (TPV) of $180 billion, Razorpay has launched over 40 products every year. The fintech major powers payments for 80 of the country's 100 unicorns.

Harshil Mathur, co-founder & CEO of Razorpay, said, "Back in 2014, when we started Razorpay, we didn't think of it as a start-up, it was a massive customer problem we wanted to fix - the complexity of integrating payment systems intrigued us. That's been the common denominator till now."

Tata Capital to raise up to $2 billion from overseas mkt

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

TATA CAPITAL, which after the merger with the group company Tata Motor's NBFC subsidiary has become the 12th largest non-bank player in terms of AUM, is tapping the global debt market to raise up to $2 billion as part of its medium-term notes (MTN) programme.

Global rating agency S&P on Monday assigned a BBB- rating to the issue.

It is not immediately known when the company will hit the market or how much they are going to raise in the first tranche, but typically a rating comes when an issuer is already in the market.

Tata Capital did not respond to an email from TNIE. "We equalized the ratings on the senior secured and senior unsecured notes under the MTN programme with our long-term issuer credit rating on the issuer. This is because the company is prudentially regulated," S&P said in a note.

The senior unsecured notes will constitute direct, unconditional, and unsubordinated obligations of the issuer. They shall at all times rank equally with all other senior unsecured obligations of the finance company, the rating agency said.

Under the MTN programme, Tata Capital may also issue index-linked notes. Under our rating criteria, we do not rate the notes if principal payments are linked to fluctuations in equity or commodity prices, or equity or commodity indices, the agency added.

Earlier this year, the Reserve Bank had approved the merger of Tata Motors Finance with Tata Capital, forming the 12th largest NBFC in the country. Under the RBI regulations, Tata Capital has to go public by next September.

The move by Tata Group is in line with RBI's mandatory requirement for "upper layer" NBFCs to list within three years of being notified, i.e September 2025. Tata Capital Financial Services, which merged with Tata Capital later in January 2024, is on the regulator's list.

As of March 2024, Tata Capital had a wide funding base from multiple lenders, including non-convertible debentures (NCDs) at 39%, term loans at 42 percent and external commercial borrowings at 7 percent.

For the financial year 2024, Tata Capital had reported a net profit of ₹2,492 crore on revenue of ₹13,309 crore.

We equalised the ratings on senior secured and senior unsecured notes under MTN programme with our long-term issuer credit rating on the issuer. This is because the company is prudentially regulated

Global rating agency S&P

Honda-Nissan to be 3rd-largest carmaker

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

JAPANESE auto giants Honda and Nissan have announced plans to merge operations, creating the world's third-largest automaker by sales, trailing only Toyota and Volkswagen.

The two stated on Monday that they had signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) to explore the integration of their businesses. Nissan's alliance partner, Mitsubishi Motors, has agreed to participate in the discussions.

In India, where both Honda and Nissan have a major presence, the alliance is likely to have an impact. Nissan is already part of an existing alliance with French automaker Renault, making this collaboration even more significant for the global and Indian carmakers. This move comes as traditional automakers face pressure from emerging Chinese manufacturers and Tesla, which have made major strides in the electric vehicle market. By combining resources and expertise, Honda, Nissan, and Mitsubishi aim to strengthen their position in an evolving industry dominated by the push for EVs and advanced technologies.

In a statement, the two companies said that the MoU is aimed to serve as an option to maintain global competitiveness and for the two companies to continue to deliver more attractive products and services to customers worldwide.

If the business integration can be realised, both companies can aim to integrate their respective management resources such as knowledge, human resources, and technologies; create deeper synergies; enhance the ability to respond to market changes; and expect to improve mid- to long-term corporate value, the statement said. Realising the synergies from integration, Nissan and Honda aim sales revenue exceeding 30 trillion yen ($191 billion) and operating profit of more than 3 trillion yen.

To beat competition from Tesla, Chinese carmakers

This move comes as automakers face pressure from emerging Chinese manufacturers and Tesla, both have made major strides in EV market. By combining resources, Honda, Nissan, and Mitsubishi aim to strengthen their position in a industry dominated by EVs and advanced technologies

Adani Defence acquires 85.8% stake in Air Works at ent value of ₹400 crore

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

ADANI Defence Systems & Technologies Ltd. (ADSTL) in acquiring 85.8% shareholding in Air Works (AWIEPL), India's largest private sector MRO company with the largest pan-India footprint, said the Adani Group company on Monday. ADSTL will acquire the stake at an Enterprise Value of ₹400 crore.

Air Works offers an end-to-end bouquet of aviation services spanning line maintenance, heavy checks, interior refurbishment, painting, redelivery checks, avionics as well as asset management services to its Indian and global customers.

The company undertakes base maintenance for narrow-body and turboprop aircraft, as well as rotary aircraft from its facilities at Hosur, Mumbai and Kochi and with regulatory approvals from civil aviation authorities of more than 20 countries. Air Works has built significant capabilities in defence MRO, executing projects for key platforms of Indian Navy and Indian Air Force.

"The Indian aviation industry stands at a transformative juncture, now the third largest globally and on track to induct over 1,500 aircraft in the coming years," said Jeet Adani, director, Adani Airports.

"For us, creating a presence in the maintenance, repair, and overhaul (MRO) sector is more than just a strategic step—it's a commitment to building an integrated aviation services ecosystem that strengthens the backbone of India's aviation infrastructure."

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Expansion in commercial, defence aviation sectors

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Airtel adds users for 1st time since tariff hike in Jul

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

FOR the first time since the tariff hike announced by private telecom service providers in July 2024, Bharti Airtel added 1.9 million subscribers in October 2024. State-owned Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) also gained 0.5 million customers during the same period.

However, Reliance Jio, country's largest telco, lost 3.76 million users, while Vodafone Idea's (Vi) customer base fell by nearly 1.97 million.

In terms of active users, however, Jio added more active users than Bharti Airtel in October, adding 3.84 million active users compared to Airtel's 2.72 million additions. Meanwhile, Vi continued to lose active users, with the telco losing about 0.72 million active users in the month.

All private telcos raised their tariffs by up to 25% in July 2024. Following the hike, these telcos experienced significant subscriber losses. Jio lost 758,463 subscribers in July 2024, 4 million in August, and 7.9 million in September 2024. Airtel lost 1.6 million in July, 2.4 million in August, and 1.4 million in September. Vi, the third-largest telco, lost 1.4 million in July, 1.87 million in August, and 1.5 million in September.

Market snaps 5-day losing streak, retail participants advised to take cautious stance

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

DOMESTIC equity market snapped a five-day losing streak on Monday with the benchmark indices - BSE Sensex and NSE Nifty - gaining 0.70 per cent each. At close, the Sensex was up 498.58 points or 0.64% at 78,540.17, and the Nifty was up 165.95 points or 0.70% at 23,753.45.

The fresh surge comes after the two indices last week recorded their steepest weekly declines in over two years, plummeting nearly 5% each.

"The market demonstrated optimism following the recent sell-off. The lower-than-expected US PCE print bolstered investor sentiment in interest rate-sensitive sectors. Broad-based buying was observed, with the metals sector benefiting from anticipated rise in steel import taxes," said Vinod Nair, head of research, Geojit Financial Services. Nair added that despite the positive market sentiment, the short-term outlook is expected to remain sideways due to a lack of new catalysts and the impact of festive season and holidays. In the Nifty50 pack, JSW Steel, ITC, Hindalco Industries, IndusInd Bank and Trent were the top gainers. The big laggards were Hero MotoCorp, Maruti Suzuki, Nestle India, HCL Tech and Bajaj Finserv. Among sectoral indices, bank, FMCG, metal, oil & gas, energy, and realty were up 0.5-1%, while the media index shed 0.4%. The broader Midcap and Smallcap indices remained subdued, ending nearly flat.

"This pause is driven by oversold positions in index heavyweights. Participants are advised to maintain cautious stance with a negative bias on index until clear signs of a rebound. We reiterate preference for pharma and healthcare sectors for long positions, other sectors are likely to see mixed trends," said Ajit Mishra – SVP, Research, Religare Broking Ltd

EXPRESS READ

Rupee falls 7 paise, closes at 85.11/USD

New Delhi: The rupee depreciated 7 paise and settled for the day at 85.11 against the US dollar on Monday, amid continued strength in the dollar index bolstered by the Fed's policy stance. According to forex traders, notwithstanding a positive trend in domestic equities, the rupee stayed weak due to significant dollar demand. *ENS*

83m biryanis ordered on Swiggy in 2024

Bengaluru: Every second, 2 biryanis were ordered on food delivery platform Swiggy in 2024 (between Jan 1 and Nov 22). In its report, it revealed the dish tops for ninth consecutive year. Dosa comes next with 23 million orders. Bengaluru ordered 2.5 million masala dosas, Delhi, Chandigarh, and Kolkata preferred Chole, Aloo Parantha and Kachoris, *ENS*

Women represent 20% of crypto exchange CoinDCX's high networth customers

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Bengaluru

WITH the increasing adoption of cryptocurrency, women are now representing 20% of crypto exchange CoinDCX's HNI (high net-worth individual) customers. With 28.3%, Delhi, Lucknow (19.16%), and Hyderabad (16.5%) are driving this trend, with ETH, BTC, MATIC, and DOGE, among their preferred tokens, says the crypto exchange in its Annual Report for 2024.

The report highlights a significant shift in investor behaviour and how cryptocurrencies are widely being used in tier-2 cities as they accounted for 40% of nationwide crypto activity. Delhi and Mumbai led with a combined 22%. With over half of investors now holding Bitcoin and Altcoins in their portfolios, the exchange points out that Indian crypto traders are maturing, becoming more strategic in their asset allocation, and embracing the transformative potential of digital assets.

From its all-time high of $1,07,000 last week, Bitcoin (BTC) has been fluctuating and on Monday it fell to about $96,056.

CoinDCX said that about 51.5% of investors' portfolios are now held in BTC, and Altcoins, indicating a strong shift toward long-term investment strategies. Altcoins lead with a 34.5% allocation, driven by rising confidence in projects like DeFi, Layer 2 solutions, and decentralized applications. Interestingly, there has been a 253.33% surge in SIP adoption.

The crypto exchange also said that post-US election, which is from November 5 to December 10, investments in crypto climbed to $1.2 billion in just 34 days, with a daily average of $35.3 million. Between January 1 and November 5, total investments reached $2.94 billion, averaging $9.5 million daily.

Tokens like SUI (374.30%) and DOGE (338.60%) led gains among assets with valuations exceeding $10 billion. Emerging tokens such as Popcat surged by 14,844%, underscoring the dynamic nature of the market, it pointed out.

Sumit Gupta, co-founder of CoinDCX, said, "This year's data demonstrates not just the resilience of the crypto market but also the increasing confidence of investors who are building balanced portfolios for long-term growth. This transformation fuels my confidence in the future of digital assets and their role in reshaping global finance."

TRAI asks telcos to offer tariff vouchers for calls, SMS

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) has directed telecom service providers to offer separate special tariff vouchers (STVs) for voice calls and SMS services.

With this change, telcos such as Reliance Jio, Vodafone Idea, and Bharti Airtel are now required to offer tariff plans that include only voice and SMS services, not necessarily bundled with data. The TRAI has introduced these amendments to the telecommunication tariff order (TTO) and the Telecom Consumers Protection Regulations (TCPR). This change will allow consumers to pay only for the services they use, offering greater flexibility in telecom spending. The move is beneficial for rural users and elderly, who may predominantly use voice and SMS services and may not require data services.

Introduction of these vouchers aims to cater to users who prioritise voice communication, offering them a cost-effective solution without the need for data features. The TRAI said the change is beneficial for elderly people, especially in rural areas, who do not use data services due to limited understanding of technology. Families with broadband at home may also find it burdensome to pay for data services that they don't require.

Moreover, data collected from telcos indicate about 150 million users still rely on feature phones, highlighting a continuing demand for voice and SMS-only plans, as these users typically require basic telecomm services.

The new regulations introduce an extension of the validity period for STVs and combo vouchers. The validity period has been raised from the previous 90 days to 365 days, giving users more flexibility in how they recharge their accounts. TRAI has done away with the colour coding of vouchers, which was earlier used for physical forms, in response to the growing prominence of online recharges.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client **Mrs. MEERA SITARAM,** W/o. Mr. Nagaraj V.N, residing at # 11350 N 131ST PL, SCOTTSDALE AZ 85259, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, presently camping at Bangalore, have represented that she is absolute owner of the schedule property and the same having been purchased by her in terms of the Absolute Sale Deed dated 25-08-2003, document No.13477/2003-04, Book I, recorded in CD No.137 and registered at the office of the Senior Sub Registrar, Kengeri, Bangalore. Further stated she has lost the original Allotment Letter issued by the City Improvement Trust Board (presently BDA).

It is further represented that the said original Allotment Letter is not been pledged/ mortgaged nor has any lien been created on any financial institutions and no other person/s having any authority to hold the said Title Deed. Any person/s holding the said Title Deed may kindly return the same to the undersigned within **five (5) days** from the date of this Public Notice and will be suitably rewarded.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

Residential immovable property bearing Corporation Khata No.126/122/299 (old CITY/BDA Site No.299), situated at Kengeri Satellite Town, Bangalore, Ward No.159-Kengeri and including all rights, privileges and appurtenances thereto on site measuring : **EAST TO WEST : 60-0 Feet, NORTH TO SOUTH : 40-0 Feet, TOTAL AREA : 2400 Square Feet, and bounded as follows : EAST BY :Site bearing No.296, WEST BY : Road, NORTH BY : Site bearing No.300, SOUTH BY : Site bearing No.298.**

Mr. SADASHIVA M.H, ADVOCATE
KRM ASSOCIATES, LAW FIRM, No.137,
Bhagyalakshmi Complex, Ground Floor, 5th Main, 3rd Stage,
Date: 24.12.2024 2nd Block, Basaveshwaranagara, BANGALORE – 560 079.
Place: Bengaluru Ph.No.9980816715, Email: sadashivamh@gmail.com

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केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A Government Of India Undertaking)

REGIONAL OFFICE WEST,
Chitrapur Bhavan, 8th Main, 15th Cross, Malleswaram, Bengaluru-560055

Withdrawal of SARFAESI Notices

Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors: (1) M/s Navadurga Sea Foods (Regd and Administrative Office Address) 1st Cross ,11/2, R V Road, Pattabhiramaiah Street, Mavalli, Bengaluru-560004. **(2) M/s Navadurga Sea Foods,** Near Cosmo Club, 1-3-18/20-1/ Sathya Krishna Homes, Suryanarayanpuram, Bhimavaram West Godavari Andhrapradesh-534202. **(3) Mr. Adinarayana Setty B (Partner And Guarantor)** C/o Krishmaiah Shetty Y S, No.685, 3rd Main Road, Raghavendra Block, Srinagar, Bengaluru-560050. **3a.) Mr. Adinarayana Setty B (Partner and Guarantor)** No.948/949,13th Main Road, Srinagar, Banashankari, Bangalore-560050. **(4) Mr. Thyagaraj V R (Partner and Guarantor)** No.12 /91- 2 , 1st Main Road, New Kalappa Block, Ramachandrapuram, Srirampuram, Behind Devi Theatre, Bangalore-560021. **5) Mr. Gudala Sri Hari Gopala Rao (Partner and Guarantor),** 7-47 Opp Raghava Rice Mill, P P Road, West Godavari, Veeravasaram, Andhra Pradesh- 534245. **6). Mrs Saraswathi B (Guarantor)** W/o R Bhaskar, No-12 /91-2, 1st Main Road, New Kalappa Block, Ramachandrapuram Bengaluru North, Bengaluru-560021. **7) Mr. Bhaskar R (Guarantor)** S/o R Ramalingam, 12/91-2 , 1st Main Road, New Kalappa Block, Ramachandrapuram, Bangalore North, Bengaluru-560021. **8) Mrs Shantha R (Guarantor)** W/o Ramalingam, 12/91-2, 1st Main, New Kalappa Block, Ramachandrapuram, Bengaluru North, Bangaluru-560021. **9) Mrs. Latha T G (Guarantor)** W/o Thyagaraj V R, No.12/ 91- 2, 1st Main Road, New Kalappa Block, Behind Devi Theater, Ramachandrapuram, VTC :Bangalore, Po Srirampuram, Bengaluru-560021. **10) Mrs. Prema R** W/o G Ramesh **(Guarantor)** 8/1, 1st Main Road, New Kalappa Block, Ramachandrapuram, Sriramapuram, Bengaluru-560021. **10a) Mrs. Prema R** W/o G Ramesh **(Guarantor)** No.12/ 91- 2, 1st Main Road, New Kalappa Block, Behind Devi Theater, Ramachandrapuram, Srirampuram, Bengaluru-560021.

Subject: M/s Navadurga Sea Foods : Withdrawal of Demand Notice, Symbolic Possession Notice and Symbolic Redemption Notice under SARFAESI due to technical reasons issued to the Firm, all the Partners(Borrowers) and all the Guarantors - regarding.

With reference to the above we are withdrawing the Demand Notice 13(2) issued to the Firm, all the Partners (Borrowers) and all the Guarantors on 29.08.2024 and the Paper publication was done in Prajashakti Newspaper and in Business Standard on 03.09.2024 in Andhra Pradesh edition and in Kannada Prabha and The New Indian Express on 03.09.2024 in Karnataka edition. We are also withdrawing the Symbolic Possession notice 13(4) dated 08.11.2024 and the Paper publication was done in Prajashakti Newspaper and in Business Standard on 13.11.2024 in Andhra Pradesh edition and in Kannada Prabha and The New Indian Express on 13.11.2024 in Karnataka edition and the Symbolic Redemption notice 13(8) Paper publication was done in Prajashakthi Newspaper and in Business Standard on 25.11.2024 in Andhra Pradesh edition and in Kannada Prabha and The New Indian Express on 25.11.2024 in Karnataka edition of the subject account due to technical reasons. We shall be re- initiating SARFAESI action.

This is for your kind information.

Date : 23.12.2024 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bengaluru **Canara Bank**

PUBLIC NOTICE

For any claims, right against the title of the following Schedule Property, May represent the under signed within 07 days failing which it will be taken that there are no claims. **Please Contact: 95389 47326, 86602 54979.**

Property Gifted by Smt. Nanjamma D/o Gangaiah to her Grand Daughter Smt. Anupriya, D/o of Sri. Venkatachala W/o R. Shiva Kumar under the registered Gift Deed dated: 20.01.2014 vide Doc No.YAN-09974-2013-14 in the Office of the SRO Yelahanka.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that Piece and Parcel of the Sy. No.36/3 measuring 38½ guntas situated at Mavallipura Village, Hesaraghattta Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk and bounded as follows:

East By: Property belonging to Lakkamma
West By: Property bearing Sy. No. 36/2
North By: Property bearing SY. No. 37 and 35
South By: Narrow Street.

Kanchana U, Advocate,
Banashankaramma Law Associates
No. 06, 7th Cross, Cubbonpet, Bangalore-02.

Canara Bank
A Government of India Undertaking

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CORRIGENDUM NOTICE

Refer to our E-Auction Sale Notice Advertisement of **M/s Prakruthi Foundation** published in **"The New Indian Express and Udayakala"** issued on **08.12.2024** that the said auction scheduled on **24.12.2024** stands cancelled.

Sd/-,
Place : Bengaluru **Authorized Officer**
Date : 23.12.2024 **Canara Bank**

DEBITS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL, BENGALURU(DTR-II).
4TH Floor, BSNL Building, Rajbhavan Road, Bengalore
O.A.NO-1746/2018

BETWEEN: Canara Bank(E-Syndicate) ...Applicant
V/S Muniraju Power Loom and others
...DEFENDANTS

Summons issued under Rule 23(viii) of the Debts Recovery Tribunal (Procedure) Rules 1993 by paper publication to Defendants

To, 1. M/S Muniraju Power Loom R/o Bettahosapura Village, VemagalHobli, Kolar District.
2. Nagaraja, S/o Venkataravanappa, Prop: M/S Muniraju Power Loom R/o Bettahosapura Village, VemagalHobli, Kolar District.
3. Sri. V Srinivas S/o Venkatashamappa R/o Bettahosapura Village, VemagalHobli, Kolar District.
4.Sri. M. Srinivas S/o Muniramappa, R/o Bettahosapura Village, VemagalHobli, Kolar District.

Whereas, the applicant has instituted an application under section- 19 of Recovery of Debts due to Banks and Financial institution Act, 1993 against you for the recovery of a sum Rs.92,33,266/-(Rupees Ninty Two Lakh Thirty three thousand two Hundred sixty six only) and future interest and cost thereon and other relief/ reliefs against you.

You are required to show cause on **31-1-2025 at 10:30 a.m.** in person or by a pleader/ advocate duly instructed as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in the event of default, the original application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and the seal of the tribunal on this 26th day of November 2024

BY ORDER OF THE COURT
Sd/- THE REGISTRAR
DEBTS RECOVEY TRIBUNAL-II
BANGALURU -560025

Advocate for Applicant Bank
M.E. Madhu Sudhan
#16.19th Cross, Bannappa Park Road, Behind shikshakara sadana, Cubbonpet, Bangluru-560002

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that our client has negotiated for the purchase of the immovable property described in the Schedule hereunder from its owners **1) Mrs. Margaret Dietrich** (OCI No. A460036), Wife of Mr. Harry Dietrich, **2) Mrs. Anna Maria,** Wife of Mr. Francois Pouchepanadin, both presently residing at Plot No. 24, Flat-D2, Priya Apartment, 15th Cross Street, Anna Nagar, Puducherry: 605 005, **3) Mrs. Christina Navis Richards,** Wife of Mr. Lloyd Richards, **4) Mr. Dennis Sugandharaj,** Son of Late Lourd Kumari Roman, No. 3 & 4 both residing at No. 83, 6th Main Road, ITI Layout, Chinnappa Garden, Benson Town, Bangalore : 560 046, No. 1 to 3 being daughters and No. 4 being the Maternal Grandson of Late A.S. Roman and Late Pauline Roman. The owner represents that they have lost the original Sale Deed dated 09.06.1969, bearing document No. 2871/1969-70, executed by I.T.I Employees House Building Co-operative Society Ltd., in favour of Sri. Antoine Samy Roman, son of Sri. Aroquiasamy Roman.

Any person/s having or claiming any manner of right, title, lien and interest in respect of the Schedule property may intimate the same in writing to the undersigned with documentary evidence in support thereof within **15 (Fifteen) days** from the date of publication of this notice, failing which the claims of all such person/s shall be deemed to have been waived or abandoned and our clients will proceed with the conveyance as if no valid claims are subsisting against the Schedule property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL OF the immovable property together with structures standing thereon, bearing **Corporation No. 83, PID No. 91-17-83,** formed by the ITI Employees House Building Co-Operative Society Ltd, Dooravani Nagar, K.G. Byadrahalli (Williams Town), Bangalore and bounded on:

EAST BY : Site bearing No. 74;
WEST BY : Road;
NORTH BY : Site bearing No. 84;
SOUTH BY : Site bearing No. 82;

And Measuring :
EAST to WEST : 54 Feet; ;
NORTH to SOUTH : 40 feet;
Totally measuring 200.66 Square Meters or 240 Square Yards;

T.K. GOWHAR BASSHA, Advocate
S.A. KHAYUM ASSOCIATES, No.9, Hayes Road Cross, Richmond Town, Bangalore-560025. M: 9845215566
Bangalore **Dated : 24.12.2024**

बैंक ऑफ़ बड़ौदा Bank of Baroda

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POSSESSION NOTICE

(For Immovable Property)
APPENDIX IV under Act- Rule 8(1)

The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **Bank of Baroda, Oxford School Branch, Bangalore** under the securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated **03.10.2024** calling upon the **(1) Mr. Syed Zameer** S/o Syed Wajid Kareem, Residing at No.178, Ground Floor, 26th A cross, North Street, Neelasandra, Austin Town, Bangalore-560047, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 49,50,565.87** + Interest (Rupees Forty Nine Lakh Fifty Thousand Five Hundred and Sixty Five and Paise Eighty Seven Plus Interest Amount Only) within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagor of the property having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower/Guarantor/Owner of the property in particular and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this the **23th day of December of the year 2024.**

The borrower/Guarantor/Mortgagor in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Bank of Baroda** for an amount of **Rs. 49,50,565.87** +Interest (Rupees Forty Nine Lakh Fifty Thousand Five Hundred and Sixty Five and Paise Eighty Seven Plus Interest Amount Only) and interest thereon at the contractual rate plus cost, charges and expenses till date of payment.

The borrower's attention is invited to sub-section (8) of Section 13 in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

Description of the Immovable Property:
Equitable Mortgage of the property mentioned below

SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of site nos 53 to 70 Amalgamated site no 1 vide Khata no 504 totally measuring 21605 sq. ft. formed in the layout approved by BMRDA vide plan bearing no BMRDA/APA/LAO/06/2009-10 dated 10.07.2009 carved out of converted land comprising in Sy. No 30 measuring 1 acre 24 guntas (converted vide Official Memorandum bearing no BDA.ALN(A)(K&A) SR: 213/05-06, dated 19.02.2009 of the special deputy commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) situated at Kavalahosahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Anekal Taluk Bangalore Urban District & bounded on the East by : Road, West by: Road, North by : Site No 71 & Private Property, South By : Road.

SCHEDULE "B" PROPERTY: 348 Sq. ft. of undivided right, title and interest in Schedule "A" Property.

SCHEDULE "C" PROPERTY: Apartment NO 104 with super build up area of 1045 Sq. ft. on the first floor in the apartment building identified as "MVS ORCHIDS" bearing E-Khata No 150200101300320102, being constructed on Schedule "A" Property with the vitrified Flooring, Saal Wood Doors and Aluminum Sliding Windows, ceiling and walls between units jointly belonging to such apartment owners equally with one Covered car parking slot in Stilt Floor and which is bounded on East : open to sky, West: Common Corridor, North:Open to Sky thereafter Flat NO 103, South: Open to Sky & Staircase.

Place : Bangalore **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Date : 23.12.2024 **Bank of Baroda**

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

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Government Central Press, 8th Mile, Mysore Road,
R.V. College Post, Bengaluru -560 059. **Ph :** 080 28484515 / 28484518

No. DPS/PURE/TDRC/2/2024-PUR **Date: 23.12.2024**

Brief Tender Notification
(Through e-procurement)

Online Tenders are invited for the Disposal of Press Cuttings, Wastage Printed Forms, Oil Sweepings, Outdated Books/Forms etc., Estimated total value of the Tender is about **Rs. 20,82,900.00** & Total EMD for all Schedules is **Rs. 1,04,145.00**. Last date for Submission of Tender on 07-01-2025, 17.30 hrs. For details please visit Website : **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.** For any further clarifications the above office may be contacted.

Sd/-
DIPR/CP/3943/Zen/2024-25 **Director (I/c)**

Karnataka Housing Board Building Communities

KARNATAKA HOUSING BOARD
3rd Floor, Cauvery Bhavan, K.G. Road, Bengaluru - 560 009.

Tender Notification

Karnataka Housing Board invites tender through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal for below mentioned work.

Last date for submission of bid: 06.01.2025 Up to 4.00 PM

Sl.No.	Name of the work
1	Renovation works to existing KHB office building at Hubballi, Dharwad District. **Tender Reference Number:** KHB/2024-25/OW/WORK_INDENT 333/Call-3 & IFT No. 161/2024-25 **Date:** 23.12.2024. **Amount put to tender Rs.**28,86,125/-

For further information, contact below mentioned office address: Executive Engineer, Karnataka Housing Board, Cauvery Bhavan, Bengaluru Telephone No. 080-22273511/080-22100077 website: https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in

DIPR/CP/3933/AKAR/24-25 **Sd/- Executive Engineer, Karnataka Housing Board, Bengaluru**

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AK58/Possession Notice/2024-25 Date-20.12.2024

POSSESSION NOTICE
For Immovable property [Appendix IV under the Act-Rule-8(1)]

WHEREAS,

The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of Bank of Maharashtra under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, and in exercise of the powers conferred under Sub-Section (12) of Section 13 read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **10.10.2024** calling upon the borrowers, **Ms. Olivia Daniel and Mr. Homer Daniel Fredricks,** to repay amount aggregating **Rs.35,84,844.38 (Rupees Thirty Five Lakh Eighty Four Thousand Eight Hundred Forty Four and Thirty Eight Paise)** plus unapplied interest thereon as mentioned in the demand notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said Notice. The notice was sent by Regd. AD Post.

The borrower/s having failed to repay the amount, Notice is hereby given to the borrower/s and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the properties described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on this **20th day of December of the year 2024**.

The borrower/s in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of Bank of Maharashtra for an amount hereinabove mentioned.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

The details of the properties mortgaged to the Bank and taken possession by the Bank are as follows:

All that piece and parcel of 3BHK residential Flat bearing No.106 (A-Block) in First Floor admeasuring built-up area 1365 sq. ft. in the Housing Project named "DS MAX Sprinkles" constructed on the Land bearing Survey No.188 with one car parking alongwith undivided share of the land admeasuring area 363 sq. ft. lying and situated at Kodathi Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk standing in the name of **Olivia Daniel and Homer Daniel Fredricks.**

Sd/-
Chief Manager & Authorised Officer
Date : 20.12.2024 **Bank of Maharashtra**
Place : Bangalore **Banaswadi Branch**

बैंक ऑफ़ इंडिया Bank of India BOI

Bank of India - Asset Recovery Branch,
11, 1st Floor, K. G. Road, Bengaluru-09.
T.: 080-2295 9407 / 408 | **Email :** Asset Recovery.Bengaluru@bankofindia.co.in

DEMAND NOTICE

NOTICE U/S 13(2) OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002
Ref: BOI/ARB/AK/2024-25/SARFAESI/DN/02

To,

1. M/s. Suncity Marketing Represented by its Proprietor Mr. Ramesh Patel
Address: 03/2, 5th Cross, 1st Main, New Timber Layout, Mysore Road, Bengaluru South, Bengaluru- 560026 **Also Available at** C/o- Mr. Ramesh Patel No-304, Mysore Road, Opposite KIMCO, Bangalore 560026
2. Mr. Ramesh Patel (Proprietor)
No-180, 1st Floor, Amrit Villa, 2nd Main, Canara Bank Colony, Nagarbhavi Main Road, Bengaluru- 560072
3. Mrs. Meena Ramesh Patel (Guarantor) W/o- Ramesh M Patel
No-180, Amrit Villa, 2nd Main, Canara Bank Colony, Nagarbhavi Main Road, Bengaluru- 560072 **Also available at:** 1st Floor, No-149/22, Sapthagiri, 3rd Cross, 2nd Main, CHBS Layout, 3rd Phase, Bangalore- 560040.
4. Mrs. Latha Rasik Patel (Guarantor & Mortgager) W/o Rusik Bhai Patel
Shri Sharada Nilaya, Near Gokul Das Compound, Chitpady, Udupi-576101

Sir/Madam,

At the request made by 1st among you, the Bank has granted you various credit facilities aggregating to an amount of Rs.77,00,000 (Rupees Seventy Seven Lakhs) to 1st among you for which 3rd and 4th among you stood as guarantor and executed letter of guarantees dated 11-10-2006, 11-01-2013 and 18-02-2017 guaranteeing the due repayment of the said amount by the Principal Debtor and all interest, cost, charges and expenses due and accruing thereon. We give hereunder details of various credit facilities granted by us and the outstanding dues thereunder as on the date of this notice:-

Nature of Facility	Sanctined Limit	Ledger Outstanding Dues
Cash Credit	Rs.77,00,000	Rs.78,54,470.12

2. The aforesaid credit facilities granted by the Bank are secured by the following assets/ securities (particulars of properties/assets charged to Bank) owned by the 4th among you:- Equitable Mortgage of the property bearing at #76, Badagubettu Village, Udupi Taluk, Within Udupi town Municipality, Udupi covered by survey no-153/2, S.No. 153/2P14 (Chitpady Ward) as per computerized RTC, Punja, South Eastern portion, measuring 20 cents (converted), together with the buildings, sheds, standing thereon and bounded there on by. Boundaries of the Property: East : Sub Division Line West : Portion of the same Sub Division North : Portion of the same Sub division and survey line South : Survey Line

3. As 1st among you have defaulted in repayment of your dues to the Bank under the said credit facilities, we have classified your account as Non-Performing Asset with effect from 31-03-2020 in accordance with the directions/guidelines issued by the Reserve Bank of India.

4. For the reasons stated above, we hereby give you notice under Section 13(2) of the above noted Act and call upon you to discharge in full your liabilities by paying to the Bank sum of **Rs.1,18,57,786.92 (Rupees One Crore Eighteen Lakhs Fifty-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Six Paisa Nine Two)** (contractual dues upto the date of notice) with further interest thereon **@ 11.10%p.a.** compounded with monthly rests, and all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank, till repayment by you within a period of 60 days from the date of this notice, failing which please note that we will entirely at your risks as to costs and consequences exercise the powers vested with the Bank under Section 13 of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, against the secured assets mentioned above.

5. While we call upon you to discharge your liability as above by payment of the entire dues to the Bank together with applicable interest, all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank till repayment and redeem the secured assets, within the period mentioned above, please take important note that as per section 13(8) of the SARFAESI Act, the right of redemption of secured assets will be available to you only till the date of publication of notice for public auction or inviting quotations or tender from public or private treaty for transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale of the secured assets.

6. The amounts realized from exercising the powers mentioned above, will firstly be applied in payment of all costs, charges and expenses which are incurred by us and/or any expenses incidental thereto, and secondly in discharge of the Bank's dues as mentioned above with contractual interest from the date of this notice till the date of actual realization and the residue of the money, if any, after the Bank's entire dues (including under any of your other dues to the Bank whether as borrower or guarantor) are fully recovered, shall be paid to you.

7. If the said dues are not fully recovered from the proceeds realized in the course of exercise of the said powers against the secured assets, we reserve our right to proceed against you and your other assets including by filing legal/recovery actions before Debts Recovery Tribunal/Courts, for recovery of the balance amount due along with all costs etc. incidental thereto from you.

8. Please take note that as per Sub-section (13) of the aforesaid Act, after receipt of this notice, you are restrained from transferring or creating any encumbrances on the aforesaid secured assets whether by way of sale, lease, license, gift, mortgage or otherwise.

9. The undersigned is a duly authorized officer of the Bank to issue this notice and exercise powers under Section 13 of aforesaid Act.

10. Needless to mention that this notice is addressed to you without prejudice to any other right or remedy available to the Bank.

11.This notice is issued superseding the earlier notice dated 21-01-2021 and 30-12-2022 issued to you and the same stands withdrawn.

Date: 13-08-2024 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bengaluru **Bank of India**

BEFORE THE III ADDL., PRINCIPAL JUDGE, FAMILY COURT, AT BENGALURU
Misc. Pet. No. 114/2023
In
M.C. No. 1831/2022

Between:Mrs. Sangeetha Aged about 49 years, W/o. Shoban Babu D/o. E. Bhaskar, R/at. 47/48, Jai Jawan Street, Karkere Main Road, Ramamurthy Nagar, Near Vijaya Bank, Doorvani Nagar, Bengaluru 560 016 ...Petitioner
And: Mr. Shoban babu ...Respondent

Notice To Respondent

TO, MR. SHOBAN BABU Aged about 53 years, S/o. Govinda Swamy, No. 4, 1st Cross, 5th Block, 100 feet Road, Kathriguppe, B.S.K.3rd Stage, Bengaluru-560 085.

WHEREAS, the Petitioner has initiated the above Miscellaneous Petition against Mr. Shoban Babu for the relief to Set-aside the Order passed in M.C. No.1831/2022 on dated 03.10.2022 dismissing Matrimonial Case for Non-prosecution and readmit the Matrimonial Case to dispose of the same on merits, You are hereby given Notice to appear before the court in person or by pleader duly instructed with objection, if any, on **7-03-2025 at 11.A.M** to answer the claim, failing which the matter will be heard and determined by your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this court, this 16th day of December 2024

By the Order of the Court
Sd/- Sheristedsar
Family Court, Bangalore

Advocate for Plaintiff
A. C. MANJUNATHA Advocate
No.38, 1st Floor, L.I.C Pruthvi Building Annexe, Behind Bank of Baroda, K.G. Road, Bengaluru-560 009

IN THE COURT OF THE XXXVIII ADDL CITY CIVIL JUDGE, AT BANGALORE
P & S C No. 647/ 2024 (CCCH-39)
(In the matter concerning grant of probate to the Last Will and Testament dated 04.07.2024 executed by Late R. Shakuntala)

BETWEEN : DR. ARUN VENKATARAMAN,
Aged about 67 years, Son of N. Venkataraman, Residing at 1/B Aarti, 85, Tardeo Road, Opp. A/C Market, Between Walchand Terraces and Milan building, Mumbai -400 034. ....PETITIONER
AND : NIL .....RESPONDENTS

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas the above named Petitioner has filed the petition before the said Hon'ble court under Section 278 of the Indian Succession Act, 1952 seeking letters of administration of last will and testament dated 04.07.2024 executed by Late R. Shakuntala, who died on 27.10.2024, maternal aunt of the Petitioner herein.

Interested parties are hereby called upon to appear in this court in person or by pleaders duly instructed **on 30-01-2025 at 11 AM** to show cause against the Petitioners failing which, the above case shall be heard and decided ex-parte.

SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY

House property bearing No.13 (PID No. 51-17-13) named 'Sudharma', consisting of ground floor and first floor on a site measuring East to West 60 Feet and North to South 44 feet, situated at 4th Main Road, N.R.Colony, Bangalore - 560 019, bounded on the:

East by : Property bearing No. 21 & 21;
West by : 4th Main Road;
North by : Property bearing No. 12;
South by : Property bearing No. 14.

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY

1	Saving Bank Account with Canara Bank, N.R. Colony Branch Account Number: 04152030005229
2	Savings Bank Account with State Bank of India, N.R. Colony Branch Account Number: 54003853809

Given under my hand & seal of this court on this the **13th day of December, 2024**

By Order of the Court, Sr. Sheristedar,
City Civil Court, Bangalore - 09

Advocate for Petitioners:
M/s Agraa Legal,
Advocates and Consultants,
3rd Floor, Shravanee Krishna Mansion, No.31, Ashoka Pillar Road, Jayanagar 2nd Block, Bangalore – 560011, Phone No: 9740078449

IN THE COURT OF THE XI ADDITIONAL CITY CIVIL SESSIONS JUDGE AT BENGALURU (CCH-08)
P & S.C No. 679/2024

BETWEEN: 1. Smt. Asha Nanjappa, aged 39 years, W/o. Late Manjunath Ramanjaneya ... **PETITIONER No. 1, 2. Master Kushith Manjunath,** Aged 14 years, S/o. Late Manjunath Ramanjaneya ... **PETITIONER No. 2, 3. Ms. Kanushka Manjunath,** aged 10 years, D/o. Late Manjunath Ramanjaneya ... **PETITIONER No. 3, 4. Smt. Ramaiah Narayanamma,** Aged 60 years, W/o. Late Ramanjaneya Aiverkandpura Venkatappa ... **PETITIONER No. 4**

Since Petitioners No. 2 and 3 are minors hence Represented by their mother and natural guardian Smt. Asha Nanjappa
All are residing at: No. #248, 3rd Cross, Maruthi Layout, Dasarahalli, Hebbal Post, Bangalore North, Bengaluru - 560024.
AND: NIL ... RESPONDENT

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas the above named filed this petition under Section 372 (1) of Indian Succession Act for the grant of Succession Certificate in favour of the Petitioner, in respect of schedule mentioned below. The below mentioned schedule has held by Late Manjunath Ramanjaneya husband of Petitioner herein who expired on 03.08.2024.

Interested parties are hereby called upon to appear before this court in person or by pleader duly instructed on **05-02-2025** at 11:00 A.M. inform to show cause against the petitioners failing wherein the appearance will be heard and declared as Ex- parte.

SCHEDULE -1: The Petitioners are entitled for the final settlement of Late Manjunath Ramanjaneya to be given by his employer Hamad Medical Corporation at Qatar.

SCHEDULE-2: Current Bank Account No. 0055352478001 at Qatar National Bank, P.O. Box 1000, Doha, Qatar standing in the name of Late Manjunath Ramanjaneya and the amount lying in the said bank account is more than Nine Lakhs.

SCHEDULE-3: Saving Bank Account in Axis Bank, Malleshwaram branch bearing Account Nos. 921010033559757, 921010033685581 and 922010008882086 standing in the name of Late Manjunath Ramanjaneya and the amount lying in the said bank accounts is more than Nine Lakhs.

Given under my hand and the seal of the court on 19-12-2024.

By order of the court, Senior Sheristedar, City Civil Court at Bangalore.

SMT. M.N. SHYLAJA, Advocate,
No. 12, 2nd Floor, Akshaya Nilaya,
V.K.Ramanna Block, Jenukal Siddeshwara Nagar, Bangalore - 560 096.

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-1, AT BENGALURU
B.S.N.L. Building, 4th Floor, Telephone House, Rajabhavan Road, Bengalore-560001.

O.A. No. 1052/2020

BETWEEN:
UNION BANK OF INDIA ... Applicant
And V/s
MR. MUSTHAFA K ...Defendants

SUMMONS/NOTICE TO DEFENDANTS UNDER RULE 23 (VIII) OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES, 1993, BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

TO,

1. Sri. Musthafa K S/o Veeran Kutty Aged about 42 Years No.19, Gayathri Nilaya, 2nd Cross, Chamundi Layout, Kogilu, Yelahanka Agrahara Layout Road, Yelahanka, Bangalore-560064.

2. Mrs. Mohseena W/o Musthafa K Aged about 48 Years No.19, Gayathri Nilaya, 2nd Cross, Chamundi Layout, Kogilu, Yelahanka Agrahara Layout Road, Yelahanka, Bangalore-560064 ...Defendants

Whereas, the applicant has instituted an application/interlocutory application under section 19 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institution Act, 1993 against the defendants for recovery of a sum of **Rs.67,46,268/-** (Rupees Sixty Seven Lakhs Forty Six Thousand Two Hundred Sixty Eight Only) together with current and future interest and for other relief.

The above mentioned Defendant (s) is/are therefore hereby directed to appear before this Tribunal in person or through an Advocate or duly authorized agent, in support of his/their defence to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication or on **03.06.2025 at 10.30 A.M. (forenoon)** as to why reliefs prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on this **13.12.2024.**

By order of the Tribunal
Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal-1
At Bangalore

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टेंडर् प्रकटणे

1) संग्रहणे माडबेकाद विवर: ब्यांकिनल्लि तेंवणि माडुव कुरितु. इंटेंड् संख्ये: NKR/2024-25/SE0001. **टेंडरिगे इट्ट मोत्त:** रू. 1100 लक्ष. **टेंडर् सल्लिसलु कोनेय दिनांक:** 30.12.2024 @ 17.30 PM. **हेच्चिन माहितिगागि संपर्किसबेकाद इ–संग्रहणा वेदिकेय अधिकृत जालताणद विवास मत्तु प्रिबिड् सभे दिनांक मत्तु समय:** https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in Pre-Bid Meeting Date 26-12-2024 @ 11-00 AM @ NK, Office Raichur Regional / Zonal / Head Offices of Banks only shall participate and no individual bank branch shall participate in this e-Tender

सहि/– विशेषाधिकारि/योजना व्यवस्थापकरु
निर्मिति केंद्र, रायचूरु

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No: HDBRTS/TENDER/CIVIL/2024-25/520 **Date: 24-12-2024**

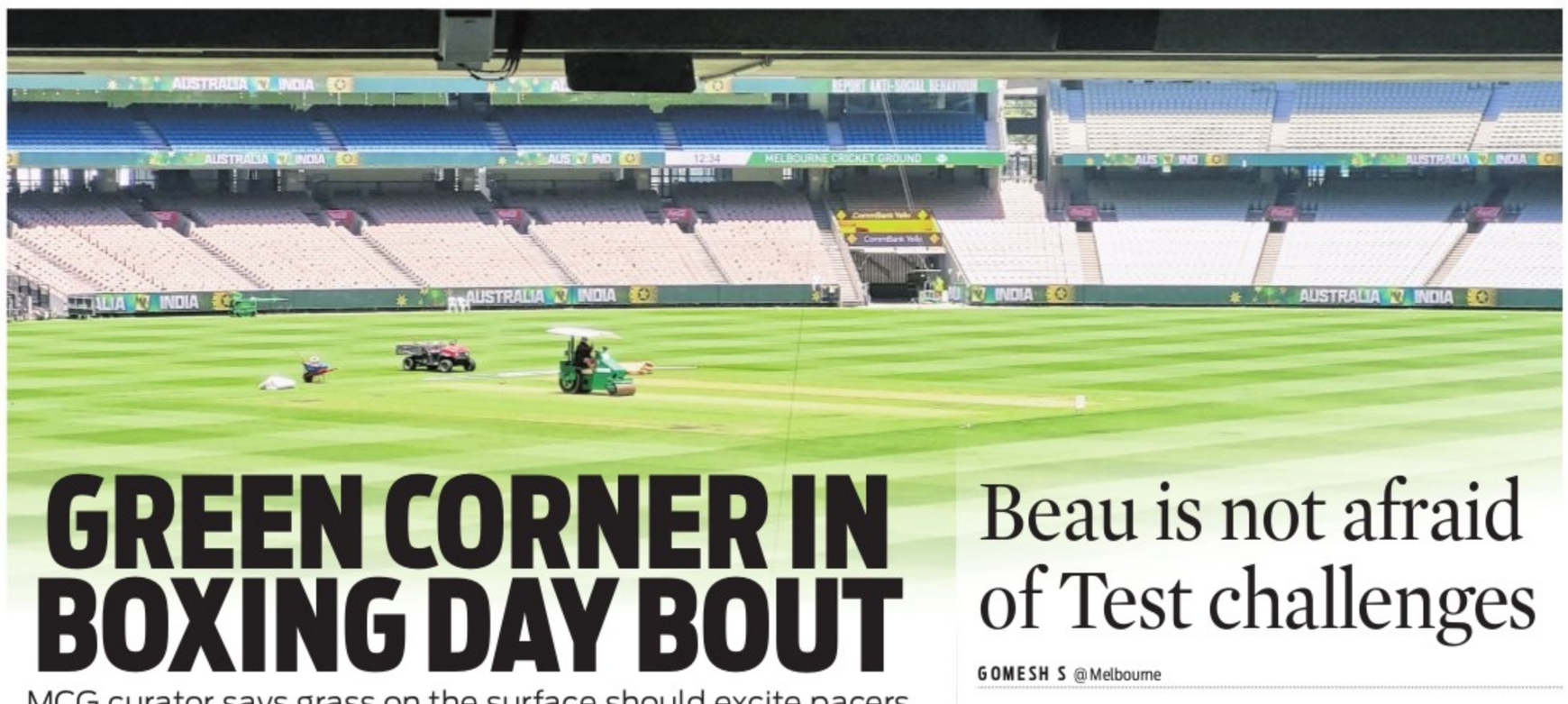
TENDER INVITATION

On behalf of the Managing Director, Hubballi-Dharwad BRTS Company Ltd., tender has invited from eligible contractors for the below mentioned service work as per standard tender document bidding procedure. Eligible contractor may participate in the tender by obtaining the details through Website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.** For more information bidders may contact to office during office hours on all working days or through e-mail.

Sl. No.	Work Name / Indent No.	License Fee per Year/ Estimate Amount	Tender Pre Bid Meeting Date and Time	Last Date and Time for Submission of Bid	Date of Opening of Technical Bid	EMD Amount
1	Selection of Licensee to Erect and Commissioning of Large Format Advertisement Display Boards on DBOT basis in the HDBRTS Corridor in the form of Bill Board/Unipole /Bi pole/

Bengal chase 390 to create history

Bengal achieved the highest successful run chase in Women's List A cricket history, when they chased down 390 against Haryana in the quarterfinal of the Senior Women's One Day Trophy at the Niranjan Shah Stadium Ground C in Rajkot. Shafali Verma scored 197 for Haryana, but Bengal chased it down with five balls to spare.



GREEN CORNER IN BOXING DAY BOUT

MCG curator says grass on the surface should excite pacers

BOXING Day 2018. was Australia versus India at the Melbourne Cricket Ground. As is the case in the ongoing series, the scoreline read 1-1 with the visitors winning in Adelaide and Australia levelling it up in Perth.

On the contrary what happened defined India's one of the epic away moments in cricket. India batted first to pile on 443; Cheteshwar Pujara (106) once again tormented the Australian pace attack. There on, Jasprit Bumrah did what he does, helping India secure an unassailable 2-1 lead. While Indian players needed to lauded for their performance, there was a scene that sums up where the contest was lost.

In the seventh over on Day One of the Test, Mitchell Starc ran in and pitched the ball in length on leg stump. The ball went down the leg, but kept low and rolled past the then captain and wicket-keeper Tim Paine. The visuals of it accompanied Justin Langer, the then head coach, in The Test documentary saying, "I think it was the second or third over, the ball bounced about this high (knee level) and you could just feel the energy in the whole coaches' box just go 'oh no, it is the flattest wicket in the world."

This happened a year after the MCG had received poor rating for the flat wicket produced for the 2017-18 Ashes. Alistair Cook scored a double century (244 n.o), helping England salvage their only draw of the 0-4 defeat. Matt Page had joined MCG as head curator in November 2017, and had little role in the surface that was prepared. After that match, they sat down and reviewed what needed to be done. The drop-in pitches hadn't been effective.

Things were not going to change overnight, or in a year, as it was evident in the India-Australia match in 2018. The work began in March 2019 when the concrete slab upon which the drop-in pitches had been placed for almost two decades was removed. It was replaced with the same gravel and sand profile as that of the MCG outfield. From thereon, the drop-in pitches were rest on a layer of compacted-sand.

Page, who was a curator with WACA in the past and had even worked with the new Perth Stadium, needed some time to understand the nature of the MCG conditions. Come 2019 Boxing Day Test, Page had left about 10.5mm grass on the surface. In combination with the changes that were made underneath, it was not going to be a flat batting surface. It took a sensational knock from Travis Head for Australia to post 467. But slowly and steadily, a change was happening. All 20 wickets in the first two innings of the match belonged to pacers. Australia won the Test and the series against New Zealand.

MCG TEST PITCH SINCE 2019 (5 GAMES)

Bowler type	WKTS	AVG	SR
Pacers	126	25.21	52
Spinners	30	33.03	66

For the 2020-21 Indian summer Down Under, Page and MCG ground staff produced a similar surface, leaving 11mm of grass on it. Australia were coming into the match after dismissing India for 36 in Adelaide and were hoping for another win. However, no one could replicate what Head did and India dismissed them for 195 in the first innings. Ajinkya Rahane produced a batting masterclass and the visitors not just beat Australia in Melbourne, but went on to win the series. In the 2021 Ashes, Scott Boland took 6/7 on another green surface that had about 10mm grass and the match ended in two and a half days. Since then, Page and MCG staff had maintained a left over 6mm grass on the surface on Boxing Day and it has worked out well in 2022 and 2023. As India and Australia are setting up for another Boxing Day bonanza, a similar green surface is expected for what is going to be a hot opening day of the match.

On a breezy, cold Monday, standing on the lush green outfield with slight drizzle, Page explained the journey MCG pitch has been through since he took charge. "We are never going to be as quick as Perth and Brisbane, but over the last few years we've managed to get some pace in it, which has created that excitement. There's a bit of grass on it. If you're a fast bowler and you look at it, you probably do get excited," Page told reporters.

Page also confirmed what data suggests on the limited role spinners will have in the match, at least on the first few days. Since 2019, pacers have taken 126 wickets in five Tests at MCG, averaging 25.21 runs per wicket. The spinners average 33.03 in this period. This is in contrast to 2017 and 2018, where only 56 wickets fell across two Tests. "Spinners? Oh, it doesn't really break up and spin here. If you look at our long-format games over the last four or five years, they've been more seam-friendly than spin-friendly," he said.

While the temperature on first day of the Test is expected to be close to 40 degree Celsius, Page said that they have not decided yet on whether or not to leave some moisture on the surface. "It probably means it might quicken up a bit quicker than what it would if it was 20 (degrees). Whether we leave a bit more moisture in it, I can't say yes or no at this stage," Page said.

It is good news for Jasprit Bumrah and Co that the surface will continue to have sideways movement. It also means that the batters will have to up the game and what theu do could well decide the contest and the series.

NOTES FROM DOWN UNDER

Shami yet to regain full fitness

NEW DELHI: Mohammed Shami has been ruled out of Tests as he is yet to regain full fitness, BCCI said on Monday. Shami made a comeback from right heel surgery in Ranji Trophy match for Bengal. "Based on the current medical assessment, BCCI Medical Team has determined that his knee requires more time for controlled exposure to bowling loads. Consequently, he has not been deemed fit for consideration for remaining two Tests," said BCCI.

Kotian to join Indian team

MELBOURNE: Mumbai's off-spinning all-rounder, Tanush Kotian, is set to join the Indian contingent over the next few days. With R Ashwin announcing his retirement, Kotian has been asked to get ready for a trip Down Under. The official announcement of the same came on Monday evening from BCCI. He was part of the India A squad and participated in the second first-class game against Australia A at the Melbourne Cricket Ground.

Beau is not afraid of Test challenges

GOMESH S @Melbourne

IMAGINE being Beau Webster. You had just helped Tasmania beat New South Wales at the Sydney Cricket Ground in the Sheffield Shield game around late November. A 61 and 49 with the bat while taking five wickets across two innings. You get called up as cover for Mitchell Marsh ahead of the pink ball Test against India.

Of course, Marsh retains his place in a day-night Test considering the minimal bowling workload it entails — for context, the veteran bowled just four overs. You are relieved and asked to join the Big Bash League side —Melbourne Stars. You travel from Perth to Melbourne to Adelaide and play three games in five days before you are again asked to join the national squad ahead of the Boxing Day Test. Once again, as a cover for the first XI. This has been the itinerary of a 31-year-old for the last few weeks.

Webster, however, is not one bit bothered. For starters, he knows where he stands in the pecking order and what is expected of him. The counter-attacking all-rounder who switched to bowling offies, Webster took up pace bowling only during the 2020-21 preseason. The lanky Tasmanian had since been at the centre of his team's success. In 2023-24, Webster was the leading run-scorer with 938 runs and also took 30 wickets, helping Tasmania reach the final where they lost to Western Australia.

"I think in the last 2 to 3 years, I have batted No. 6 for Tasmania in (Sheffield) Shield cricket and come in and do a counter-punching sort of role....to be able to counter-punch our way out of that (trouble) and get us to a total that our quicks can bowl at. I think it's definitely one of my strengths with the bat," Webster told reporters at Melbourne Cricket Ground on Monday. "With the ball, I just aim at consistency...trying to hit the top of off-stump and try to run the ball back into the right-handers. If there's a bit of swing on offer, I think I can take that as well... It's just those simple things done over and over again, I think, is my strength," he added.

Webster's addition comes at a time when former players like Simon Katich and Ian Healy have asked for the Tasmanian to be included in the playing XI in place of Marsh who's barely bowled since the first Test. Webster, however, is not thinking about it. He knows he's there as a backup and is excited about being around the likes of Marsh, Pat Cummins, Mitchel Starc and others. "Really excited to be here for Boxing Day Test and prep as if I will play. Once the coin goes up, we will see what happens there - whether I travel back and join the Stars or stay here and help the guys out. It's definitely exciting," he said.

"It's part of my game. I am really proud of developing it in the last four years. A lot of hard work has gone into it... being sore at the start to trying my body to getting used to bowling a few overs here and there to bowling a lot for Tasmania... It feels like it's as important as my batting game," Webster said, before adding that working with Adam Griffith helped him a lot.

Meanwhile, the all-rounder admitted that he let his mind wander a bit, thinking about walking out in front of a packed MCG on boxing day but has kept his expectations realistic. "Just trying to do what I can to give myself the best chance if I get a tap on the shoulder and the honour of playing," he said.

While he felt that switching to fast bowling was one the best decisions made, Webster didn't necessarily rule out bowling a bit of off-spin if needed ahead of the Sri Lankan tour after the India series. "Once you are in this environment, you get a real hunger to stay around. It's a great group, once I've been rubbing shoulders with these guys, I don't want to leave. Sri Lanka is definitely on the cards, I would love to see myself there.

"I am not sure what the selectors are thinking in terms of how wickets are going to spin and who are we going to take. I'm happy to wheel our medium pace. I'll be more than happy to do the job with off-spin as well. I still bowl them in Shield cricket here and there if there are left-handers on strike or there's a wicket that offers spin," said Webster.

While the Lanka tour is almost a month away, for the next two days, it will be all about being ready if the chance comes for Webster. And if he does, expect the lanky seamer to crank it up against the Indian batting order.

Beau Webster

Scrap dealer's son Sairaj claims gold

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SAIRAJ Pardeshi was pretty clear what he had to become when he was only eight. By then, his elder sister Pooja and brother Jairaj have already started pursuing weightlifting. The eldest sibling faced resistance from father Rajesh initially but soon it fizzled out. The father had his reasons as being a scrap dealer, he wanted his children to excel in academics for a better future. Little did he know that the children would excel albeit in sports winning national and international medals.

The last from the family to take up lifting, Sairaj, turned out to be the most talented, winning medals at the national and international age group competitions. On Monday, the 17-year-old 81kg lifter from Manmad, Maharashtra, added yet another feather to his cap as he won a youth gold in overall category at the 2024 Asian Youth and Junior Weightlifting Championships in Doha, Qatar. He also won a silver each in the snatch and clean and jerk section. "My father got emotional when we talked after the medal ceremony," Sairaj told this daily from Doha. Sairaj heaved 139kg in snatch and then went on to lift 171kg in the clean and jerk section. The efforts won him a silver each in both sections. Incidentally, it was the total lift of 310kg that earned him a gold medal at the event.

Sairaj credited Alakesh Baruah, chief weightlifting coach for the youth lifters at the NIS Patiala, for the success. "Ever since I made it to the youth national camp, Baruah sir has made life easy for me. It is under his guidance that I succeeded in winning medals at international level. I started with Pravin (Vyavahare) sir and then DD Sharma coached me at the SAI's NCOE in Aurangabad. All of them played a key role in my development as a weightlifter," added the lifter.

The championship is Sairaj's third international competition as he had taken part in the IWF World Youth Championships in May this year finishing fourth. He had lifted 135kg in snatch winning bronze and 165kg in C&J (total 300). Sairaj then competed at the 2024 Commonwealth Youth, Junior and Senior (Men & Women) Weightlifting Championships in September clinching a gold medal in the youth section and silver in the senior category.

"I talked to Sairaj soon after the medal ceremony. He got emotional after hearing the national anthem and watching the Indian flag during the ceremony," Vyavahare told this daily. Vyavahare, a teacher at Chhatre New English School in Manmad, honed the skills of the Pardeshi siblings. The trio lives near Jai Bhavani Vyayamshala run by Vyavahare and that only made it easy for them to start lifting weights at a very young age.

Sairaj will return to Patiala after the event and start preparations for the 2025 National Games scheduled early next year. "It will be my first National Games. I want to make it a memorable one by finishing on the podium," said the lifter. The National Games is not only the immediate target for Sairaj as once it is over then he has to focus on his 12th board examination. Interestingly, he has chosen PCM (Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics) for the examination. "I haven't studied anything yet but I'm quite confident that I can clear the exams if I get 15 days for preparations," signed off Sairaj.

Two silver for Sanjana

Meanwhile, Haryana's Sanjana claimed two silver medals in both the 76kg youth girls and junior women's sections at the competition.

EXPRESS READ

Maiden senior nat'l title for Shahu Mane

BHOPAL: Rifle shooter Shahu Tushar Mane of Railways clinched his first senior national title, winning gold in the men's 10m air rifle event at the 67th National Shooting Championship Competitions (NSCC) for rifle events. Rudrankksh Patil of Maharashtra shot 254.9 to win junior final, surpassing the existing senior finals world record held by Olympic champ Sheng Lihao of China, by a margin of 0.4.

Ailing Kambli admitted to hospital

MUMBAI: Former India cricketer Vinod Kambli has been admitted to a hospital here due to deterioration in his health. The 52-year-old was brought to the hospital by one of his fans. His condition is said to be stable, though the exact reasons for his hospitalisation could not be ascertained. Kambli was admitted to the hospital on Saturday.

Purcell suspended for anti-doping breach

MELBOURNE: Two-time Grand Slam-winning doubles player Max Purcell has entered a voluntary provisional suspension under tennis' anti-doping rules. The International Tennis Integrity Agency announced the sanction in a statement on Monday after the 26-year-old admitted to violating Article 2.2 of the Tennis Anti-Doping Program.

Rugby Premier League set to start next year

NEW DELHI: Rugby India, the sport's national governing body, is all set to launch the Rugby Premier League (RPL) next year. The tournament, the world's first franchise-based rugby league, featuring six city-based teams, will be a part of a 10-year strategic partnership between Rugby India and GMR Sports. The RPL will be a platform for top players from elite rugby nations around the world.

Hyderabad FC squander 2-goal lead to suffer loss

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HYDERABAD FC have endured a difficult run in the ongoing Indian Super League so far. And things turned from bad to worse on Monday. The team from South squandered a two-goal lead to eventually lose 2-5 at home against NorthEast United. This was Hyderabad's ninth defeat of the season.

Edmilson Correia had handed the home side a dream start with two goals within the first 12 minutes of the contest. However, NorthEast, especially in the second-half, fought back to take home all three points.

Guillermo Fernandez sparked the comeback with a goal in the 18th minute, before adding to his tally at the hour mark. Hyderabad conceded two own goals, courtesy Lenny Rodrigues and Alex Saji, in the second period of play. Star striker Alaaeddine Ajaraie also got on the scoresheet for NorthEast. With the day's outcome, NorthEast climbed to sixth spot while Hyderabad remained second from bottom.

BADMINTON

Naveen & Lokesh one hit away from national glory

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IT was a mixed outing for shuttlers from Tamil Nadu in the ongoing Senior National Badminton Championships in Bengaluru on Monday. While top seeds Naveen P and Lokesh V posted a hard-fought victory to get one step closer to the men's doubles title, singles players Sathish Kumar K (men's) and Adarshini Shri NB (women's) lost their respective semifinal ties.

In the morning session, the duo of Naveen and Lokesh beat Shaik Gouse and Prakash Raj S in the quarterfinals. Later, they posted a 17-21, 21-12, 22-20 win over fourth seeds Ashith Surya and Vaibhaav of Karnataka. "It was the toughest match for them but they did well to come out on the winning side. Lokesh is a smart player and was taking the initiative. Let's hope they can go on to win the title," said Venkatesh Nallusamy, Tamil Nadu coach.

Adarshini, who was unseeded and had caught the eye of many with her run, went down 13-21, 10-21 against 13th seed Devika Sihag of Haryana. The youngster, who recently started training at the Prakash Padukone Badminton Academy, had packed off three seeded opponents during her course to the semis. "She did well to come this far and I'm sure she will build on this," the coach said.

Top seeds Naveen P and Lokesh V had to dig deep to cross the semifinal hurdle | BAI

Sathish, the winner of the recent Guwahati Masters Super 100, lost 17-21, 17-21 against local shuttler Raghu M. Shriyanshi Valishetty, seeded 12th, beat the more-renowned Tasnim Mir (seeded 13th) 25-23, 21-13 in the other women's semifinal contest and will face Devika in the title match. Raghu will face statemate and former champ Mithun Manjunath, who beat Rounak Chouhan of Chhattisgarh. Rounak, like Adarshini, had caused upsets during his campaign.

Mental health professionals across the country are witnessing an alarming rise in young professionals, students, and even children succumbing to drug abuse. Peer pressure, curiosity, and the desire to fit-in often drive young people to experiment with substances

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

A SLIPPERY SLOPE & SILENT EPIDEMIC

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ANOOP, a bright young man from Kottayam, had high hopes when he landed a job at a reputed IT company in Bengaluru through campus placement. Hailing from a middle-class family, his success was seen as a beacon of promise for his future. But within two years of joining the firm, Anoop found himself staring at a disheartening email from HR—his dismissal owing to poor performance. The news was crushing, but it was not the only shock in Anoop's life. The real story lay in the journey that led him to this point: a path marred by substance abuse and its devastating impact on his personal and professional life.

Anoop's descent into addiction began in the most unremarkable way. At the IT company, he became immersed in a fast-paced hustle culture, where bonding with colleagues over weekend parties was the norm. During one such outing, he was introduced to drugs—something he had never even considered before. Raised by a teetotaller father, Anoop had no prior exposure to such substances, but the temptation to fit in with his colleagues was too strong. "Why not?" he thought, rationalising it as part of the social experience.

At first, it was just a one-time affair. The euphoria of the drug was an escape from the pressures of work and life. But as time passed, that fleeting pleasure turned into a need. Anoop found himself relying on the drug not just on weekends, but whenever stress at work became unbearable. The once occasional indulgence became a regular habit, and soon he found himself needing more to achieve the same high. His performance at work began to suffer, but Anoop, trapped in the cycle, couldn't break free.

His story is not unique. Mental health professionals across the country are witnessing an alarming rise in young professionals, students, and even children succumbing to drug abuse. In Anoop's case, it wasn't just a recreational habit—it was a desperate attempt to cope with the pressures of his demanding job, isolation, and an environment that seemed to offer little beyond work and partying.

Mental health professionals like Dr CJ John, chief psychiatrist at Medical Trust Hospital in Ernakulam, notes that substance abuse disorders can affect anyone, regardless of their family background. "Earlier, we used to say that people with substance abuse disorders come from adverse family backgrounds, but we now see that even individuals from stable, caring families are increasingly falling prey to drugs," he said.

Peer pressure, curiosity, and the desire to fit-in often drive young people to experiment with substances. Notwithstanding the history of drug-use, nobody can be sure who gets hooked and won't, he added.

What makes drug addiction particularly insidious is how it infiltrates an individual's life. Dr Sagar T Thevalappuram, senior consultant in psychiatry, district hospital Kozhencherry, explains, "Youth often get into drug addiction by chance. But it leads to deterioration at personal and familial levels, and may even lead to loss of life. It is important to start treatment early."

Anoop was lucky in some ways. His condition could have deteriorated further had it not been for the timely intervention of his family members who identified that something was not right with him.

His story highlights a larger trend that health experts are increasingly concerned about—the role of peer pressure and the ease at which young people are exposed to drugs.

Dr Jitha G, specialist of psychiatry & behavioural medicine, KIMSHEALTH, Thiruvananthapuram, said children are easily influenced by peer pressure. "The brain of a child is less developed. So they do not think like adults. The chances of substance abuse in children are easy. I have seen children as young as eight-years-old using drugs. But substance abuse is the tip of the iceberg because there are so many underlying risk factors," she said. According to health experts, constant awareness helps children stay away from substance abuse. It has helped children from using alcohol and cigarettes, but they generally lack the awareness that the use of drugs can damage the brain. However, they added that ad hoc awareness classes are useless without interventional strategies, as peer group promotion, movies, and general promotions glorifying drug use often outdo such efforts. Some patients come up with online reports of the advantages of cannabis, they said. When there is propaganda to initiate youth into drug use, health activists feel that it is important to empower the youth to say no and the need to develop a social fraternity that says it is not good. It is a fact that the longer a person uses drugs the more difficult it becomes to get cured. But it is also important not to stigmatise the people looking for a cure and get out of the habit.

"Getting initiated to a substance is a normal thing in today's world. Everyone has human vulnerabilities. But temptation or pressure is something that needs to be prevented," said Dr John.

The impact of drug addiction is not confined to the individual. It penetrates into every corner of their life, disrupting relationships, causing financial instability, and leaving deep scars on family members. The children of drug users are particularly vulnerable, as studies show that they are three times more likely to experience neglect or abuse.

Mental health experts are stressing on the importance of early intervention and regular follow-ups for the success of any treatment. Even after treatment, the patient is going to the same environment where he or she got the addiction. In addictive behaviours, the chance of relapse is high if they go back to the same toxic social circles. Recovery from addiction requires a sustained effort, and follow-up treatments should continue for at least a year to reduce the risk of relapse. Substance abuse does not discriminate—it affects people from all walks of life, from the most privileged to the most vulnerable.

Identify Signs, Lend a Hand

EXPRESS ILLUSTRATION

How To Prevent Peer Pressure

- **Self-awareness:** Understanding personal triggers and vulnerabilities
- **Assertiveness skill:** Building confidence to resist peer pressure
- **Positive peer networks:** Surrounding oneself with supportive individuals
- **Mental health support:** Seeking help when stressed or overwhelmed
- **Parental guidance:** Encouraging open communication at home
- **Critical thinking:** Promoting informed decision-making

Early Signs Of Drug Abuse

- **Behavioural changes:** Withdrawal from family or friends | Neglecting responsibilities | Unexplained financial problems
- **Physical changes:** Bloodshot eyes or sudden weight changes | Decline in personal hygiene
- **Emotional shifts:** Mood swings, irritability, or sudden euphoria | Depression or lack of motivation
- **Sleep disturbances:** Insomnia or oversleeping

Treatment Overview

- **Reducing cravings:** Medication or behavioural therapies
- **Addressing mental health:** Tackling underlying psychological issues
- **Motivation and support:** Encouraging abstinence and providing outpatient care
- **Relapse prevention :** Regular monitoring and interventions

FOLLOW-UP TREATMENT

- One year follow-up even when the person claims to have stopped substance use
- Relapse prevention intervention to seal off factors that predispose a person to substance use

FAMILY IMPACT AND SUPPORT

- **Emotional support:** Counselling and therapy for family members
- **Awareness:** Educating families on addiction and treatment options
- **Healthy boundaries:** Setting clear limits with affected individuals
- **Self-care:** Encouraging family members to prioritise well-being

Internet Addiction Same As Substance Abuse

- Online time consumes time for meaningful interaction, play
- Results in decline in mental or intellectual state, and vulnerable to addictive behaviour
- Brain changes due to internet addiction are the same or worse than substance abuse

Helpline: Tele-MANAS helpline for mental distress

Dial 14416

NEWS CAPSULES

Post-operative home care for cardiac patients

Chennai: Lupin Digital Health has partnered with Medicover Hospitals for comprehensive post discharge cardiac care. According to a press release, Lupin Digital Health, a wholly owned subsidiary of global pharma major Lupin Limited (Lupin), and Medicover Hospitals will provide post-operative rehabilitation and care for Medicover's cardiac patients, offering at-home rehabilitation, powered by digital therapeutics. "The post-discharge phase of cardiac rehab has historically been a challenge, with many patients experiencing lapses in care. Through this partnership, Medicover has taken the forward-looking step of ensuring that patients across India receive the continuous support they need," said Sidharth Srinivasan, CEO of Lupin Digital Health, in the release. ENS

'PM-JAY improved access to cancer care'

New Delhi: Enrolling under the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PM-JAY) increased access to a timely initiation of cancer treatment by 33 %, a study has found. Researchers, including those from the Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research (PGIMER), Chandigarh, also found that under the scheme, patients diagnosed with cancer after 2018, when the programme was launched, were at a 36% higher chance of a timely initiation of treatment within 30 days, compared to those diagnosed between 1995 and 2017. The findings, published in The Lancet Regional Health Southeast Asia, showed a "significant improvement in timely initiation of cancer treatment as a result of introduction of PM-JAY". PTI

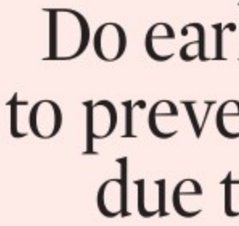
2.4L drowning deaths annually: WHO report

Chennai: WHO launched its first Global Status Report on Drowning Prevention recently, shedding light on a critical but often overlooked global health issue. With over 2.36 lakh lives lost annually to drowning, the report underscores the urgent need for coordinated action to address this preventable cause of death. The report details the scale of global drowning fatalities, and progress made in advancing strategies and actions to reduce drowning around the world. The report shows that the rate of deaths from drowning dropped by 38% during 2000-21. Yet drowning remains a major public health issue, with more than three lakh deaths in 2021. Drowning predominately impacts children and young people, and 9 in 10 deaths occur in low and middle-income countries, WHO said. ENS

DIABETIC RETINOPATHY

Do early screening to prevent vision loss due to diabetes

India, which is seeing a surge in diabetes cases, is also witnessing a rise in diabetic retinopathy, a condition that damages the retina due to high sugar levels. According to **Dr MJ Barman,** vitreo-retina and ocular oncology service, ASG Eyecare, Paltanbazaar, Guwahati, awareness about the condition remains low in India. He tells **Kavita Bajeli-Datt** that the need of the hour is to conduct regular check-ups and educate people about newer treatments that can help reduce the disease burden. Edited excerpts:



INTERVIEW
DR MJ BARMAN

What is Diabetic retinopathy?

Diabetic retinopathy (DR) is a condition characterised by the gradual weakening of eyesight as persistently high blood sugar levels damage the blood vessels in the retina. In early-stage DR (non-proliferative DR), the damaged blood vessels leak fluid and blood into the centre of the retina, causing diabetic macular edema (DME). In advanced DR (proliferative DR), abnormal blood vessels grow as the old and damaged blood vessels close off. These fragile new vessels leak fluid that collects in the centre of the eye. These vessels can sometimes grow beyond the retina and block fluid drainage from the eye, leading to conditions like glaucoma. Another complication of DR is retinal detachment, which occurs when the retina detaches itself from the back of the eye. Most of these conditions can cause vision loss and irreversible blindness without early detection and treatment.

What are the early signs of DR?

People with diabetes should be alert to signs like blurred vision, floaters, and dark spots. Other symptoms may include faded or distorted colours or seeing dark spots. Regular eye exams are crucial for early detection, as DR may progress without noticeable symptoms until significant damage occurs.

What are the treatment options available for diabetic retinopathy?

Early stages may only require ongoing monitoring, while advanced cases can benefit from these available treatment options:

Intravitreal injections: These are administered in the eye to inhibit the growth of new blood vessels and reduce fluid buildup. Traditionally, anti-vascular endothelial growth factor (anti-VEGF) drugs were used to treat DR. However, it has been found that etiopathology of DR not only involves VEGF but has a strong inflammatory component. As such, newer options that target multiple pathways, such as faricimab (a bispecific antibody that targets both VEGF and angiopoietin-2), may prove to be most promising.

Photocoagulation: It uses a laser to seal or ablate the abnormal blood vessels, thereby stopping or slowing the leakage of blood and fluids. It prevents further loss of eyesight.

Vitrectomy: It involves making a tiny incision in the eye to remove blood from the vitreous humour (fluid in the eye), scar tissue, and membranes that can dislodge the retina.

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DAY'S DIARY

Kohli hits century

India skipper Virat Kohli registered his first international century on this day in 2009 at the Eden Gardens, against Sri Lanka

MATCH DAY

The match saw Sri Lankan captain Kumar Sangakkara winning the toss and batting first. Kohli's innings of 107 of 114 balls with the help of 11 fours and a six secured a victory

RECORDS

Kohli received the Arjuna Award, India's second highest sporting honour, from the government in 2013. In 2017, he garnered the Padma Shri

CAREER TRAJECTORY

Kohli plays for (and previously captained) the Royal Challengers Bangalore (RCB) in the Indian Premier League (IPL)

A curated guide to happenings in the city

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'SLEIGH' IT WITH A MERRY FEAST!

The festive season is a time of joy, warmth, and togetherness, and nothing captures the spirit of Christmas quite like the act of gifting. From decadent gourmet treats to indulgent bakes, festive spirits, and centrepieces perfect for holiday feasts, our guide will help you make the season magical for your loved ones

ASLAM GAFOOR

(The writer is a Bengaluru-based hospitality professional, food lover, and travel enthusiast)

DELECTABLE CENTREPIECES

RENAISSANCE BENGALURU RACE COURSE HOTEL: Chef Somasundaram presents a signature imported slow roasted turkey, marinated with aromatic spices and served with cranberry sauce and red wine jus. Priced at ₹12,999++, it serves 8-10 guests.

JW MARRIOTT HOTEL BENGALURU: Their turkey feast, priced at ₹14,500++, serves 6-8 guests and includes roast potatoes, sautéed vegetables, cranberry sauce, and gravy, making it a convenient and festive choice for home celebrations.

FESTIVE SPIRITS

PAUL JOHN SINGLE MALT CHRISTMAS EDITION 2024: The seventh release in this exclusive series, the unpeated single malt whisky from Goa is matured in ex-bourbon casks and finished in Caribbean Rum and Virgin Oak Casks. With aromas of mango, pineapple, and sweet vanilla, it delivers a rich and indulgent finish. Non-chill filtered, this limited-edition makes for a perfect gift for whisky enthusiasts. Visit pauljohnwhisky.com for more information.

SIREN COCKTAIL BAR: Beverage Head Ashish Tamta creates the Apple Pie cocktail, with a nod to warmth, love, and tradition. As a beloved feature of Christmas dinners, apple pie embodies the joy and comfort that are at the heart of the festive season.

MAVERICK & FARMER: Seasonal drinks like Candy Cane spiced cold brew, Christmas Blend Coffee-tini, and mulled cascara infused with festive spices are available at all three Bengaluru outlets, starting at ₹300++.

BAKERY INDULGENCES

MAGNOLIA BAKERY: Spread Christmas cheer with handmade festive specials, including Christmas-themed piped cupcakes. These treats start at ₹250++ and are available in-store and online.

GOURMET DELIGHTS

SAPA'S FESTIVE TREATS: A hallmark of SAPA's festive offerings, the stollen (₹1,950) is a rich, fruit-filled German Christmas bread that ages beautifully over six months, intensifying its flavours. Ideal for leisurely breakfasts or sharing during celebrations, it is packaged with Dina Weber's German-inspired storytelling. Orders can be placed via Instagram @sapabakery.

303 BAKEHOUSE FLORAL CUPCAKES: These exquisite buttercream cupcakes are an artistic and delicious way to spread Christmas cheer. A box of six cupcakes costs ₹729 and can be ordered by contacting Priyanka Christina Sams at 9741576055.

HONORÉ PANETTONE: Crafted by Ponnanna MP, this traditional Italian panettone is naturally leavened over three days. Priced at ₹999, it is a luxurious yet affordable festive treat, perfect for gifting or sharing during Christmas and New Year. Available via honore.in or call 8884222250.

SWEET TOUCHES

PAPER & PIE: The Strawberry Cheesecake from Paper & Pie is a delightful dessert, featuring a cream-filled strawberry shaped like an adorable snowman. It blends the tartness of fresh strawberries with a crumbly biscuit base, creating a perfect balance of textures.

OLIVE BEACH: Indulge in a classic Yule log made with rich dark chocolate sponge, rolled with a smooth vanilla pastry cream. It's beautifully decorated with chocolate pinecones, meringue, and fresh berries, making it a festive centrepiece for your celebrations.

'IF YOU GET STUCK IN ONE PLACE, YOU'RE NOT GROWING'

Actor Sunny Leone, who was recently in the city to DJ, discusses balancing family, work, and self-care while sharing details about her upcoming projects

DARSHITA JAIN

SUNNY Leone has a rare gift – the kind of effortless charm that makes you feel like you're catching up with an old friend over coffee. Recently in the city to DJ at an exclusive event at a club in HSR Layout, Leone opens up about her work, her life as a mom, and more.

Excited about *Shero*, a psychological thriller and her first multilingual film, she says, "Working on *Shero* was an absolute blast, and it was a challenge too. I learned every line in the film on my own, without being prompted. Thankfully, I had incredible help and a fantastic coach who made things much easier, especially when it came to understanding how to deliver some of those lines."

The movie also demanded that Leone perform all her stunts. "Some parts were tough – like this chair I was tied to, which was made of solid wood. It was so heavy, and I had to figure out how to break it open. There was also a moment where I was dropped from three or four feet in the air. That didn't feel great! But, you know, we all have a job to do, and we kept moving forward," she laughs.

With other projects in the pipeline, Leone is keeping mum about the details. "I hope people enjoy *Shero*. It's a deeply serious psychological thriller, and I think it has all the elements to capture people's attention," she shares, hinting at more surprises to come.

Despite her packed schedule, Leone manages to prioritise her family, which she credits to clear communication. "Managing time between children and work can be difficult. You have to have good communication with your children so that they understand that when I'm at work, I'm at work and when I'm home, I'm home. When I'm home, my entire time is dedicated to them and they understand that," she says.

Even on her days off, Leone is anything but idle. "Juggling children, homework, heading to the office, and balancing other things with Starstruck – there's always something happening," she shares

Having worked in multiple languages over the years, Leone has learned to adapt to the challenges. "When you have the right tools and the right people by your side, it makes all the difference," she says.

Leone is also known for her sense of fashion that is as versatile as her career. "It depends on how I'm feeling. There are days when I'm not feeling my best, and all I want is to throw on a loose t-shirt and baggy jeans. But then, on other days, I'll slip into a three-piece suit and just feel incredible," she explains.

Leone is all about growth and exploration. "When you're an artiste, you have to keep trying new things. If you get stuck in one genre, then you're not growing," she explains.

In the busy life of an actor, self-care and staying fit can sometimes be difficult. "Self-care and staying fit often end up taking a backseat, especially when work piles up. But I do make an effort to carve out some time for myself. It doesn't always go as planned, though," she says.

HOLIDAYS IN A GLASS

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A 'SHAAN'DAR EVENING

With his timeless charm and soulful melodies, iconic singer Shaan captivates the Bengaluru audience during his recent performance at Phoenix Marketcity, Whitefield

CITY READ

University organises art exhibition camp

JAIN (Deemed-to-be University), Jayanagar, in collaboration with Jain School of Design, and Shantamani Kala Kendra, is organising the JU 2024 National Art Exhibition camp at 24 Divine Live Art Gallery in Shantamani Kala Kendra, Yelahanka. The three-day event, running till today, brings together 60 artists from across India to showcase 100 unique art forms through 50 live demonstrations. With a thematic focus on Karnataka, the event aims to emphasise the role of art in uniting communities and fostering cultural and economic development. The camp was inaugurated by CS Krishna Setty, a National Award-winning artist and former chairman of the Central Lalit Kala Akademi, New Delhi. The inaugural day featured many eminent personalities like Vijay Achrekar, artist; Srinivasulu, Commissioner of the Ayush Department; and PS Kumar, senior artist and chairman of the Karnataka Lalithakala Academy.

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Shankar Ehsaan Loy Take Center Stage

RED LIVE Brings Bollywood's Best to New Horizon College of Engg.

Superhits 93.5 RED FM's RED Live in concert with Shankar Ehsaan Loy, the legendary trio behind some of Bollywood's most iconic soundtracks, took the stage recently at New Horizon College of Engineering, Bellandur.

The trio, celebrated for their timeless hits from movies such as Dil Chahta Hai, Zindagi Na Milegi Dobara, Rock On, and Kal Ho Na Ho, delivered a mesmerising musical journey

RED LIVE: Redefining Live Music Experiences

This concert is part of RED LIVE, the flagship entertainment platform of RED 93.5 FM that has become synonymous with premium live music experiences. Known for curating intimate gigs, grand concerts, and unique music festivals, RED LIVE bridges the gap between artists and audiences, creating unforgettable memories.

The magical tunes and vibrant energy of Shankar Ehsaan Loy left the audience spellbound as they brought their biggest hits to life on stage.

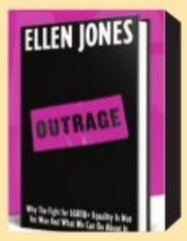
Red 93.5 FM as a network and as a brand believes in providing super hits anytime a listener tunes in on air. This music promise from our side is equally relevant to all our on ground initiatives as well. Getting the biggest names in Bollywood music to perform live in key cities like Bengaluru is a part of that key objective.

-B Surendar, Director and COO , Red 93.5 FM Network

At RED 93.5 FM, we believe in delivering extraordinary experiences, and this concert is our way of creating unforgettable memories for our listeners in Bengaluru. RED LIVE is not just a platform; it's a celebration of music that connects artists and audiences in the most memorable way. Bringing Shankar Ehsaan Loy to Bengaluru under the RED LIVE banner is our way of delivering an unparalleled live music experience.

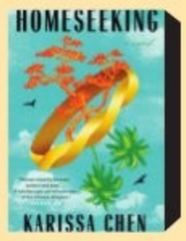
- Suresh Ganesan, General Manager, RED FM, Karnataka

BOOK NOOK



Outrage
By Ellen Jones

The book is replete with personal accounts of LGBTQ+ people from around the world. The author tells not only the issues but also practical actions that people can take to help create a more equal society.

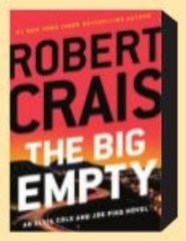


Homeseeking
By Karissa Chen

The book presents an epic story of a couple across sixty years as world events pull them together and apart, illuminating the Chinese diaspora and exploring what it means to find home away from your homeland.

The Science of Racism
By Keon West

The author cuts through the divisive anecdotes and rhetoric with decades' worth of clear, factual, and scientific data that reveals truths about racism that are shocking yet captivating.



The Big Empty
By Robert Crais

Elvis Cole and his enigmatic partner, Joe Pike, race to find a terrifying, unidentified killer in this twisting, and edgy thriller from number one New York Times bestselling author Robert Crais.

VIBRANT IMPRESSIONS

Artist Gokulam Vijay showcases his artwork to visitors during the India Art Festival held recently at Palace Grounds, Jayamahal | ALLEN EGENUSE J

QUICKFIX

TURKISH EGGS

INGREDIENTS
- Greek yogurt
- Garlic
- Unsalted butter
- Olive oil
- Turkish red pepper flakes (Aleppo)
- Eggs
- Lemon juice

METHOD
- Prepare two pans with water for poaching and warming yoghurt.
- Mix yogurt, garlic, and salt in a bowl over simmering water until creamy. Leave it on the pan to stay warm.
- Melt unsalted butter until golden, stir in olive oil and red pepper flakes, and set aside.
- Strain each egg, add lemon juice, and poach in simmering water for 3-4 minutes
- Divide yoghurt into bowls, top with eggs, drizzle with spiced butter. Serve with toasted bread.

Contributed by **Tultul Mukherjee**, Bengaluru

WHATWHENWHYWHERE

Festive Celebration

Experience Christmas Eve with a performance by DJ Vanessa & Group Performance alongside signature cocktails, premium beverages, and curated party packages.

WHEN: December 24, 8.30pm
WHERE: Fenny's Lounge and Kitchen, Koramangala
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Christmas and Candles

Design and create your own unique candle with a Christmas aesthetic, using advanced techniques, luxurious waxes, and personalised fragrances.

WHEN: December 24, 1pm **WHERE:** SmallWorld, Koramangala
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Picnic Afternoon

Delight in board games, wine, and curated picnic plates featuring vegan, vegetarian, and non-vegetarian options.

WHEN: December 25, 11am
WHERE: The Courtyard, Shanti Nagar
DETAILS: linktr.ee/thecourtyardcommunity

Comedy & Tarot

Enjoy a comedy show with a complimentary tarot reading on topics like relationships, careers, and more.

WHEN: December 24, 8pm
WHERE: Drunkling Comedy Club, KHB Colony **DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com

The World of Mushrooms

Join a joyful evening, celebrating mushrooms with a mushroom tea ceremony, soulful music, and a three-course mushroom feast.

WHEN: December 28, 3pm **WHERE:** Bangalore Creative Circus, Yeshwanthpur **DETAILS:** blrcreativecircus.com

Sangria Special

Indulge in unlimited sangria and festive cheer during a magical Christmas celebration.

WHEN: December 24, 11am onwards
WHERE: Cafe Noir, Whitefield
DETAILS: insider.in

Rooftop Cinema

Watch Christmas classics like *Home Alone 2* and *When Harry Met Sally* under the stars with comfy seating, scenic views, and festive vibes.

WHEN: December 24, 7pm
WHERE: IMG - Lido Mall, Swami Vivekananda Road
DETAILS: sunsetcinemaclub.in

Kathak Journey

Attend Kathak dancer **Simran Godhwani**'s disciple **Sanjana Gupta**'s Rangapravesha after dedicating 12 years to the artform.

WHEN: December 29, 4.30 pm
WHERE: Bangalore International Centre, Domlur.
DETAILS: bangaloreinternationalcentre.org

NOWSTREAMING

REGIONAL

LEELA VINODHAM (Telugu)

Prasad, a college pass-out waits for a reply from his beloved to his romantic proposal in an afternoon.

Cast: Shanmukh Jaswanth, Anagha Ajith, Goparaju Ramana

- **Watch on:** ETV Win

GIRLS WILL BE GIRLS (Hindi)

In a strict boarding school nestled in the Himalayas, 16-year-old Mira discovers desire and romance; but her sexual, rebellious awakening is disrupted by her mother who never got to come-of-age herself.

Cast: Preeti Panigrahi, Kani Kusruti, Kesav Binoy Kiron

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

FOREIGN

THE SIX TRIPLE EIGHT (English)

Eight-hundred-and-fifty-five women join the war effort to address a three-year mail backlog. Despite discrimination and war-torn conditions, they sort over seventeen million pieces of mail ahead of schedule.

Cast: Kerry Washington, Ebony Obsidian, Milauna Jackson

- **Watch on:** Netflix

SUBSCRIPTION

Netflix:	₹199/month
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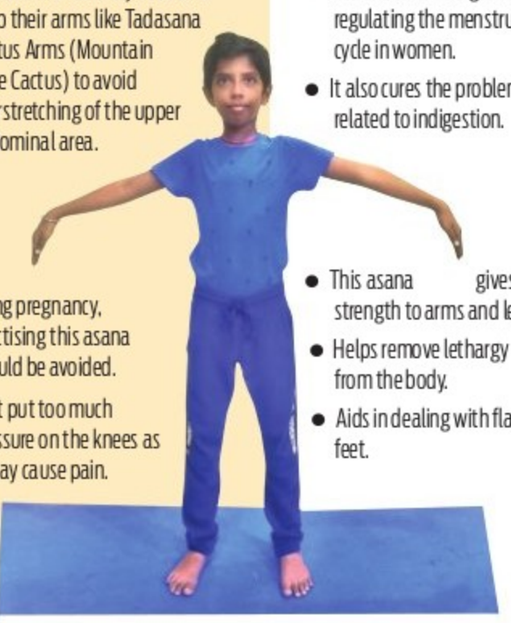
TADASANA VARIATION FEET HIP WIDE HASTA SIDE (MOUNTAIN POSE VARIATION FEET HIP WIDE ARMS TO SIDE)

This Mountain Pose Variation Feet Hip Wide Arms To Side is a variation of Tadasana (Mountain Pose), which is considered to be the blueprint that forms the basis of all other standing postures. Despite looking no different from simply standing, this asana is an active pose, in which the practitioner engages in conscious awareness of muscle activation and posture.

STEPS
- Start in Tadasana (Mountain Pose). Keep your feet hip-wide and hands by the side of your body, tucking your chin.
- Ensure your hands are relaxed and the head, back, hip are in one line. Exhale.
- Once comfortable, inhale, and lower your arms out at 45 degrees from the shoulder level, keeping the palms open and fingers facing down.
- Ensure that the palms are open and fingers down towards the floor.
- Stay in feet hip-wide stance with arms at 45 degrees down from the shoulder level in this Tadasana Variation for about six breaths.
- Keep facial muscles relaxed core engaged, and gaze ahead or down. Breathe deeply.
- To release, exhale and lower the hands down and keep on the sides of the body. Exhale, return to Tadasana.
- Relax in Dirga Pranayama Tadasana (Three Part Breath Mountain Pose).

BENEFITS
- Provides gentle stretch to the shoulders.
- Helps elongate the upper body by stretching and strengthening the shoulders along with the biceps and triceps.
- This asana can benefit pregnant women.
- This can be part of many yoga sequences including warm-up, heart openers, and neck and shoulders.
- Aids persons who do sports like rock climbing, and swimming.
- Builds confidence, power, strength, encouraging a sense of positiveness, etc.
- Opens the heart giving more space for deeper breathing while stimulating the sympathetic nervous system.
- Provides strength and expansion to the lungs.
- This is the best exercise to increase your height.
- This asana develops and activates the nerves of the entire body.
- Strengthens vertebral column and heart.
- This asana is also good for regulating the menstrual cycle in women.
- It also cures the problems related to indigestion.
- This asana gives strength to arms and legs.
- Helps remove lethargy from the body.
- Aids in dealing with flat feet.

LIMITATIONS
- Students who have injury to or pain in the shoulders, neck, collar bone, upper spine, chest, rib cage, or upper abdominal area, should avoid this asana.
- Those suffering from blood pressure, heart related ailments, headaches, insomnia, should practise with the guidance of a yoga expert.
- Pregnant women may choose to keep their arms like Tadasana Cactus Arms (Mountain Pose Cactus) to avoid overstretching of the upper abdominal area.
- During pregnancy, practising this asana should be avoided.
- Don't put too much pressure on the knees as it may cause pain.



By N Elumalai, PhD Scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

ARTCORNER

A CONCRETE FACADE

Artist Bipul Roy's artwork from his Global Warming Series portrays the climate crisis with a twist

HOLIDAYS IN A GLASS

SAY CHEERS TO THE HOLIDAY SEASON WITH THE BEST OF CHRISTMAS COCKTAILS AROUND THE CITY

AS the air turns crisp and the festive cheer begins to fill the city, there is nothing quite like indulging in a creamy cup of eggnog or an aromatic sip of mulled wine sangria. The tradition of Christmas drinks dates back to the medieval ages, when midwinter festivals brought communities together to foster camaraderie and combat the chill. While the Romans in the medieval ages preferred warming wines with spices, nowadays, Gen Z prefers ordering cinnamon-spiced lattes, reflecting the timeless traditions of Christmas drinks. With the rise of crafted cocktail bars and do-it-yourself drinks, the cocktail landscape has evolved into a vibrant one, featuring a colourful array of beverages, from espresso martinis to gingerbread sours, which embrace modern creations along with honouring past traditions. Here's a list of best cocktails for spreading the Christmas cheer.

– Curated by Ritika Sarkar

Not Your Usual Jingle Bells

Ingredients

- Dates coffee infused syrup - 30 ml
- Whiskey- 50ml
- Hazelnut froth (garnish)
- Magical Spoon(garnish)

Preparations: Combine 50 ml of Whiskey and 30 ml of dates coffee-infused syrup in a shaker. Shake well to blend. Strain into a glass and garnish with hazelnut froth and add a magical spoon.

Buon Natale

Ingredients

- White rum - 45ml
- Lime juice - 15 ml
- Sugar syrup - 10 ml
- Orgeat syrup - 15 ml
- Pineapple juice - 60 ml
- Banana and smoked litchi froth(for garnish)

Preparations: Combine white rum, lime juice, sugar syrup, orgeat syrup, and pineapple juice in a shaker. Shake well, strain into a chilled glass, and garnish with banana and smoked litchi froth for a tropical, smoky finish.

Christmas Butter Beer

Ingredients

- White Rum- 20ml
- Caramel Syrup- 15ml
- Vodka - 20ml
- Egg White - 1ml
- Toit Beer Hefeweizen - 200ml
- Vanilla Syrup- 15 ml

Preparations: Combine white rum, vodka, caramel syrup, vanilla syrup, and egg white in a shaker. Shake well without ice for froth, then strain into a chilled glass. Top with Toit Hefeweizen beer, gently stir, and serve.

RECIPE CREDIT: THE YARD, DODDANEKUNDI

Dragon Cocktail

- Dragon fruit slices - 2
- Agave spirit - 20 ml
- White wine - 120ml
- Red Merlot wine - 30ml
- Five spiced maple syrup - 10ml

Preparations: Add dragon fruit slices, agave spirit, white wine and red Merlot wine as well as five spiced maple syrup into the saucepan, and boil it slowly. Serve with spices and slice of dragon fruit in an old fashioned glass.

Classic Mulled Wine

Ingredients

- Mandarin orange slices - 30ml
- Indian spices - 2 bar spoons
- Wine spirit - 30ml
- Red wine - 120ml

Preparations: Add orange slices, Indian spices, wine spirit, and red wine into the saucepan, boil it slowly and stir. Serve the mulled wine in an Irish mug and garnish with cinnamon sticks and orange slices.

RECIPE CREDIT: MANOJ ALPHONSE, BEVERAGE HEAD AT BELLONA HOSPITALITY

Eleven Elves

Ingredients

- Dates-infused bourbon - 60 ml
- Mulled wine - 90 ml
- Lime juice - 15 ml

Preparations: Combine dates-infused bourbon, mulled wine, and lime juice in a shaker. Shake well and strain into a brandy balloon glass without ice. Garnish with date leather and a cinnamon stick.

Drunken Reindeer

- Gin- 60 ml
- Home-made berry Christmas syrup- 22.5 ml
- Select bitter-15 ml
- Lime juice- 15ml
- Vegan foam- 4 drops

Preparations: Combine gin, homemade berry Christmas syrup, select bitters, and lime juice in a shaker. Shake well and strain into a coupe glass without ice. Top with vegan foam and garnish with printed rice paper.

RECIPE CREDIT: COPITAS AT FOUR SEASONS HOTEL

Sweet & Sour Fruit Punch

Ingredients

- Cranberry juice: 1 cup
- Orange juice: 1/4 cup
- Apple juice: 1/4 cup
- Pineapple juice: 1/4 cup
- Ginger ale or Sprite: As needed
- Vodka: 1/4 cup (adjust as desired)
- Jalapeños: 2 (Can use green chilies)
- Salt: 1/8 tsp
- Cinnamon stick: 1
- Star anise: 3-4 pods
- Cloves: 2-3
- Sugar and salt: To rim the glass
- Ice cubes
- Fresh cranberries: To garnish
- Sprigs of rosemary: To garnish

Preparations: In a large jar, combine cranberry juice, orange juice, apple juice, pineapple juice, cinnamon stick, star anise, and cloves. Stir well. In a mixer, crush chilies with salt. Add it to the juice blend and stir. Let it sit for 10–15 minutes. Refrigerate until it's chilled. Before serving, rim the edges of the glasses with a mix of sugar and salt. Add ice cubes to each glass. Pour 1/4 cup vodka into the glass. Top with 1/2 cup of fruit punch. Add a splash of ginger ale or Sprite. Decorate with sprigs of rosemary and fresh cranberries for a festive and aromatic presentation.

RECIPE CREDIT: SUREKHA RAJESH

Gingerbread Sour

Ingredients

- Bourbon whisky-60ml
- Gingerbread syrup -30ml
- Lime juice -20ml
- Roasted pineapple juice -60ml

Preparations: Combine bourbon, gingerbread syrup, lime juice, and roasted pineapple juice together. Shake well with ice and strain into an old fashioned glass.

Santa's Lil Helper

Ingredients

- Tequila -60ml
- Lime-20ml
- Santa syrup 30ml (in-house syrup contains Pomegranate, cranberry and all spices)
- Egg white - Optional

Preparations: Combine tequila, lime juice and Santa syrup , shake well with ice, and strain into a chilled coupe glass.

RECIPE CREDIT: HARRY SIMON PETER, BEVERAGE MANAGER AT SANCHEZ

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CHANGE OF NAME

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) ABISHAK NANTHAN**, Son of NO-JC-313917P, SUB, S PACHIYAPPAN, Residing at H.NO.2/92, Street: School Street, Vill: Visoor, Post: Manampathy, Tehsil: Uttiramerur, Dist: Kanchipuram, State: TAMIL NADU, PIN: 603403, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) P ABISHAK NANTHAN,** Vide Affidavit Dated 17.12.2024 Sworn Before Notary S.I. BALAGURU BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **VANI VENKATESH**, age 51 years, W/o Venkatesh Valpady Krishnadasa, R/at No. 1418, 8th Main, BSK 1st Stage, 2nd Block, Bengaluru-560 050 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **VANI** to **VANI VENKATESH**, henceforth I shall be known and called as **VANI VENKATESH** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 19th December 2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **GANGARAJU .B.N** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) N SAVITHRE**, Mother of NO.JC-311607L, SUB MAJ, C SIVA KUMAR, Residing at House NO.35/11B, Nanjanad (Vill & Post), Udhagai (Tehsil), Nilgiris (Dist), TAMIL NADU (State), PIN: 643004, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) SAVITHIRI,** And **DOB** from **01.07.1957** to **12.06.1960,** Vide Affidavit Dated 20.12.2024 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Ashwath Narayan Gowda M**, S/o. Muniyappa, Aged about 61 years, Residing at D No. # 81/7, Chikkabidarakallu, Shanimahatma Temple, Bangalore North, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560 073, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **ASWATHA NARAYANA GOWDA** to **ASHWATH NARAYANA GOWDA M** vide affidavit dated 17.12.2024 sworn to before M. Ravikumar, Advocate & Notary, Government of India, Bengaluru Rural District.

CHANGE OF NAME
I,**RAVINDRA TENGLI ,** S/o. Raghvendra Rao Tengli, age about 73 years, Residing at No.106, Shivashree Gardens Block2, 1 Main 4th Cross, BEML Layout 5th Stage, Rajarajeshwari Nagar, Benglauru-98. do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **RAVINDRA TENGLIKAR TO RAVINDRA TENGLI,**. vide affidavit dated 21/12/2024 sworn before advocate & Notary S.R. Thulasikrishna,Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **AMARAVATHI,** W/o Gurappa, aged about 45 years, R/at Ambedkar Bhavana Road, Nekkundi Dommasandra Layout, Near Vagdevi Vilas School, Muthsandra, Bengaluru-560 087, Karnataka State, India, have changed my name to **"AMARAMMA"**, vide Affidavit sworn to before Notary Public, Yankoba, Government of India, Bangalore City, on 23rd Day of December 2024. Henceforth I wish to be called and known for all acts, deeds and things as **"AMARAMMA"**.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME), C HEMA,** Spouse of NO.15328219W, HAV, RAVI KUMAR.N, Residing at House NO.2/103, Thiruvalluvar West Street, Ammanpuram (Post), Tiruchendur (TK), Thoothukudi (Dist), TAMIL NADU (State), PIN: 628201, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) HEMA C,** Vide Affidavit Dated 16.12.2024 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME
I, SERVICE NO.16115055Y, HAV, AKHIL P, Residing at Vallikkol House, Koovode (Vill), Kuttikkol (Post), Taliparamba (Tehsil), Kannur (Dist), KERALA (State), PIN: 670141, Have Changed My Name **(OLD NAME) AKHIL P** to **(NEW NAME) P AKHIL** Vide Affidavit Dated 16.12.2024 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **NAYEEM KOUSER,** W/o A Shabbir Ahmed, D/o **Syed Ahmed (Father Name)** and **RAHEEMUNNISA (Mother)** age 55 years, R/at No. 77, 1st Main, 2nd Cross, Venkateshpuram, Arabic College Post, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru-560 045 do hereby declare that both the names i.e. **NAYEEMA KOUSER** and **NAEEMUNNISA** are one and the same and refers to me only, henceforth I shall be known and called as **NAYEEMA KOUSER** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 23.12.2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **K.C. CHOWDE GOWDA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) SAROJINI DEVI,** Spouse of NO.16113556A, HAV, KRISHNA TALARI Residing at H.NO.22-228, Vill: PS Peta, PO: PS Peta, Tehsil: Chodavaram, Dist: Visakhapatnam, State: ANDHRA PRADESH, PIN: 531036, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) SAROJINI DEVI TALARI,** Vide Affidavit Dated 18.12.2024 Sworn Before Notary S.I. BALAGURU BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) E SIVASANKARI,** Spouse of NO.JC-311986M, SUB MAJ, S NAGARAJAN, Residing at House NO.3-1-38/13A, Street - Pallivasal, Vill & Post: Devadanapatti, Tehsil: Periyakulam, Dist: Theni, State: TAMIL NADU, PIN: 625602, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) SIVASANKARI E** Vide Affidavit Dated 17.12.2024 Sworn Before Notary GANGARAJU.B.N BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **POORNIMA PALAKSHA** W/o **Palaksha Ramachar Nagarathamma** R/at No.1215, Rathna, 23rd Cross, 23rd Main, Near BDA Complex, BSK 2nd Stage, Bangalore- 560070 have changed my name to **POORNIMA BAGALUR NARAYANACHAR** vide affidavit dated: 21/12/2024 Before Notary **Puttaramaiah** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Nagaraja.M**, S/o Mallaiah. H, Residing at No 42/1A/10, 9th cross, Attur last bus stop, Santhosh Nagar, Attur, Yelahanka, Bangalore -560092 have changed my name to **M.Nagaraj** vide affidavit dated 20/12/2024 sworn before Notary Onkarappa.N.R Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Rajkumar Wadhwani,** Aged about 58 years, S/o Late Chelaram Wadhwani, Residing at:- Flat No. 10126, Prestige Shantiniketan, ITPL Main Road, Whitefield, Bengaluru-560048. Hereby declared that my names **"Rajkumar Wadhwani"** and **"Rajkumar Chelaram Wadhwani"**, both the names belong to the same person, which refers to myself. Vide Affidavit dated **21.12.2024**, sworn before **J. Anand Kumar, B.com, L.L.B** Advocate & Notary, Bangalore-560027.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) MOOMO DEVI,** Mother of NO.JC-314979F, NB/SUB, SONA RAM, Residing at Pokrasar (Vill), Netrad (Post), Chouhtan (Tehsil), Barmer (Dist), RAJASTHAN (State), PIN: 344702, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) MUMAL DEVI,** And **DOB** from **04.07.1949** to **01.01.1948,** Vide Affidavit Dated 20.12.2024 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Smt. PULIPATI PRATHIMA**, W/o Sri Ravilla Mohan, age 42 years, presently R/at Flat No. 208, Jaykrishna Mahalakshmi Enclave, ECC Road, Near Deens School, Whitefield Post, Bengaluru-560 066 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **PRATHIMA RAVILLA** to **SMT. PULIPATI PRATHIMA**, henceforth I shall be known and called as **SMT. PULIPATI PRATHIMA** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 21.12.2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **VEENA J**, at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **A SHABBIR AHMED** S/o Abdulla Sab **(Father Name)** and **SHARFUNISA (Mother Name)** age 64 years, R/at No. 77, 1st Main, 2nd Cross, Venkateshpuram, Arabic College Post, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru-560 045 do hereby declare that both the names i.e. **A SHABBIR AHMED** and **SHABBEER AHMED** are one and the same and refers to me only, henceforth I shall be known and called as **A SHABBIR AHMED** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 23.12.2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **K.C. CHOWDE GOWDA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **PUSHPA PONNAPPA,** wife of Late. Ex SGT Ponnappa Choundira Khushalappa, resident of 207, "Karthikeya", 4 TH B Main Road, OMBR Layout, Banaswadi, Bangalore-560043 have changed my name from **PUSHPA PONNAPPA** to **CHOUNDIRA PONNAPPA PUSHPAVATHY**, vide Affidavit dated.19.12.2024 (Certificate No. INKA00033948923600W) at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Shreya Rao,** D/o. Sri Raghunath, aged about 28 years, residing at NoVaibhavlakshmi, Shivaganga Nagar, Batwadi Tumkuru-572103 today at Bangalore, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **Shreya Raghunath** to **Shreya Rao**, vide affidavit dated 21.12.2024, sworn to before G. Dayananda, Advocate & Notary, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **VIJAYALAKSHMI BASAVARAJU KURIYAWAR** W/o **Basavaraju Yallappa Kuriyawar** R/at No.137, 11th Main Road, BCC Layout 2nd Stage, Chandra Layout, Bangalore-560040 have changed my name to **VIJAYALAKSHMI KANDAGAL** vide affidavit dated: 21/12/2024 Before Notary **Puttaramaiah** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, hitherto known as **CHANDANA** daughter of **R Raghunath** and wife of Mithun US, aged about 38 years, residing at No.40, Siddegowda Street, Susheela Road, Doddamavalli, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru South, Bengaluru–560004, Karnataka, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as **CHANDANA R MITHUN** vide affidavit dated 21/12/2024 before Notary **Sri. G. Dayananda.**

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) LILAVATI,** Mother of NO.15334866M, HAV, GANGADHAR PATGAR, Residing at Bargi (Post), Kumta (TK), Karwar (Dist), KARNATAKA (State), PIN: 581440, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) LEELAVATI NARAYAN PATGAR,** And **DOB** from **01.07.1954** to **04.10.1958** Vide Affidavit Dated 19.12.2024 Sworn Before Notary MEER HASSAN BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **MOHAMED ATHIQ .V.K,** age 35 years, S/o V.F. Kamal, R/o No. 596/117, 26th Main, 30th "B" Cross, Tilak Nagar, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560 041 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **MOHAMED ATHIQ .V.K** to **V.K. MOHAMMED ATHIQ** and in my educational records my parents name is also wrongly shown as **SHAMSHAD BEGAUM** instead of **SHAMSHAD BEGUM** and **KAMAL V.F.** instead of **V.F. ABDUL KAMAL**, vide affidavit dated 16-12-2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **G. DAYANANDA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) G MEERA,** Spouse of NO.JC-313917P, SUB, S PACHAIYAPPAN, Residing at H.NO.2/92, Street: School Street, Vill: Visoor, Post: Manampathy, Tehsil: Uttiramerur, Dist: Kanchipuram, State: TAMIL NADU, PIN:603403, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) P MEERA,** Vide Affidavit Dated 17.12.2024 Sworn Before Notary S.I. BALAGURU BANGALORE

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **MUSKAN MANOHARLAL JAIN, C/o. Chirag Mehta, Residing at No.16, Maharashtra Mahila Vidyalaya Road, V V Puram, Bengaluru-560004, have changed my name to MUSKAN JAIN** Vide affidavit dated: 21.12.2024 before notary K.C. GOWTHAMI, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **RAMYA SRIVATSAN (DOB: 01-05-1982) W/o Mr. J K Manjunatha residing at: 145, LIG, 1st Phase, 13th B Cross, 4th B Main, Near Shankarnag Park, Yelahanka New Town, Bangalore, Karnataka-560064, have changed my name from RAMYA SRIVATSAN to RAMYA MANJUNATHA** vide Affidavit No.1220, Vol. 34 Pg. 21 Dated: 23-12-2024 sworn to before Notary Public G.P CHAYA Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Mr. JOEL RUBEN ANTONY MONIZ, S/o. Noel Moniz,** Aged about 30 years, Residing at No.26, Ferns Residency, K.Narayanapura, Kothanur Post, Bangalore -560077, hereby declare that my names **JOEL MOIL, JOEL MONIZ and JOEL RUBEN ANTONY MONIZ** are all my names and belong to me. **Joel Ruben Antony Moniz** is my official name and my parents correct name is Mother Name: **(AGATHA MONIZ) AGATHA JUDITH RUBY MONIZ** and Father Name: **NOEL THOMAS ALPHONSUS MONIZ (NOEL MONIZ) (Late)** as per my Indian Passport. Vide affidavit dated: 23.12.2024 before advocate and notary D. Rajanna, Bengaluru.

DIRECTOR KS ASHOKA REUNITES WITH DEEKSHITH SHETTY FOR NEW VILLAGE DRAMA

Deekshith Shetty

The director of *Dia* and *6-5=2* explores friendship, love, and life in his third directorial outing

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DIRECTOR K S Ashoka, known for his critically acclaimed films like *6-5=2* and *Dia*, is set to embark on his third directorial venture. This time, he shifts gears with a social drama set in a village, exploring themes of friendship, love, and the complexities of life. Ashoka, renowned for his insightful storytelling and ability to capture human emotions with subtlety, has been meticulously planning this project, which revolves around three young individuals at different life stages.

After conducting extensive auditions with over 200 applicants, and according to our source, the significant development regarding Ashoka's project is that he will be reuniting with *Dia* star Deekshith Shetty for the lead role. Shetty, who gained prominence through the TV serial *Nagini*, rose to fame with his role in *Dia* alongside Pruthvi Ambaar. He has since expanded his acting repertoire, making a mark in the Telugu film industry with *Dasara* alongside Nani and solidifying his position in Kannada cinema with films like *KTM* and *Blink*.

While Ashoka is keeping many details, including the full cast, under wraps, he plans to unveil the film's title, poster, and further cast details after Sankranti.

K S Ashoka

Pruthvi Ambaar
set to make directorial debut with Tulu Film

The actor-turned-director is set to bring comedy and fresh perspectives to the genre, which will also be released in Kannada

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PRUTHVI AMBAAR, known for his standout performances in *Dia*, is set to mark a significant milestone in his career—his directorial debut. He will first helm a Tulu film. "Direction has always been in the back of my mind," Pruthvi shares, talking about his journey from actor to filmmaker. "The film will go on floors in February," he confirms as he gears up to bring his vision to life. The actor, who is currently juggling multiple releases like *Life is Beautiful* and *Bhuvanam Gaganam* has wrapped up shooting for *Chowkidhar* and Nagathihalli's upcoming project.

Pruthvi's decision to direct a Tulu film feels natural, rooted in his own beginnings. "I started my acting career in Tulu cinema," he explains. "It felt right to start my directorial journey there." The film will also be dubbed and released in Kannada. Currently in the pre-production phase, Pruthvi is building a team, fine-tuning the script, and preparing for what will be a full-fledged comedy. "While I'm directing, I'm also playing a pivotal role in the film," he reveals, adding, "I am selecting actors from the Tulu industry."

The entire film will be shot in and around Mangaluru, capturing the essence of the region. Talking about his directorial dream, Pruthvi mentioned that acting came to him almost by accident. "When I was doing short films, someone didn't turn up, so I stepped in for them. Acting wasn't planned, but it happened. Direction, however, was always in my mind."

While he continues to pursue acting, Pruthvi is clear about his future ambitions: "I want to make the kind of films I believe in." With his directorial debut fast approaching, he teases, "I'll reveal more details as we get closer to the shoot."

Pruthvi Ambaar

'Support Kannada films as you do for other languages'

....Said sudeep at the *Max* trailer launch and pre-release event, where he made a clarion call about the future of the Kannada industry, ahead of the film's release this week

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WITH just three days to go, the stage is set for a showdown as Sudeep's *Max* gears up for its release on December 25. The makers recently unveiled a trailer for *Max*'s action-packed world, which excited fans who are eagerly anticipating the film's release.

Sudeep clicks selfie with the crowd at Max event

The trailer offers a glimpse of what's to come—a relentless action drama that unfolds over the course of a single night, with Kichcha Sudeepa in his raw, no-holds-barred police avatar. This film is designed to keep audiences on the edge of their seats, and with Christmas and New Year just around the corner, the stakes couldn't be higher.

But the spotlight wasn't only on the trailer. At the grand unveiling event in Chitradurga, Sudeep, who kept his promise to have the event in Kote Nadu was accompanied by his family and industry colleagues including Krishna, Dhananjay, Vinay Rajkumar, Yuvarajkumar, and director AP Arjun. Here he delivered a powerful, no-nonsense message that echoed across. He called for a united front from film buffs, urging them to show the same support for Kannada films as they do for films in other languages. "Without your support, there may be no theatres, no Kannada films," Sudeep sent a signal about the need for solidarity in the Kannada film industry.

Acknowledging the immense talent within the industry, he emphasised that the calibre of Kannada actors and technicians is undeniable. However, he stressed that only through unity and the support of the audience can the industry truly thrive. His words served as a clarion call for the survival and future of Kannada cinema.

In his humble style, Sudeepa took a moment to address the long gap since his last release, apologising for the delay. "I know I've made you wait, and I've seen the trolls. It wasn't intentional, but I promise to work harder and bring you more films in a shorter span of time," he reassured his fans, fueling even more anticipation for what's to come. He also expressed his gratitude to the actors and technicians who supported him at the event, and once again emphasised his desire for a united Kannada film industry. "I wish to see a united Kannada film industry, one that will drive us forward," he stated.

Sudeepa didn't stop there. He further expressed heartfelt thanks to the Kannada audience for their overwhelming support of Upendra's UI, which has been doing well at the box office. He urged everyone to carry that momentum forward by supporting *Max* and other upcoming Kannada films.

Max has already taken houseful bookings, with early morning shows kicking off at 6.30 am. Featuring Sudeepa in the lead, the film boasts an ensemble cast including Samyuktha Hornad, Sukrutha Wagle, Varalaxmi Sarathkumar, Ugramm Manju, and many others. The film has music composed by Ajaneesh Loknath, while Shekar Chandru handled the cinematography.

Still from the film

From clap boy to director, the first-time director's film sees its release in January

A still from the film

Thievery with a twist makes *Nimma Vasthugalige Neeve Javaabdaararu* unique
Keshav Moorthy

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KESHAV MOORTHY'S journey from humble beginnings as a 'clap boy' on the sets of *Minchina Ota*, starring Vijay Raghavendra and Murali, to taking on the role of first assistant director in AMR Ramesh's *Police Quarters* has been shaped by dedication and a keen eye for storytelling. Over the years, he has worked alongside noted directors like S Narayan and contributed to films such as *Bhagyaraj*, gradually honing his craft.

Now, after years of learning the ropes, Keshav Moorthy is seated on the director's chair for his debut film, *Nimma Vasthugalige Neeve Javaabdaararu*, set to release on January 10. The film revolves around the theme of thievery—but with a twist. Despite the criminal backdrop, Moorthy says he has managed to maintain a subtle and lighthearted tone throughout the narrative. The film explores a universal theme: the deep attachments humans form to their belongings, which can sometimes bring out hidden insecurities.

"Insecurities may remain hidden until one day they manifest into something much larger," Moorthy reflects. "Some incidents are noticed, others slip by unnoticed. This film captures those unnoticed moments."

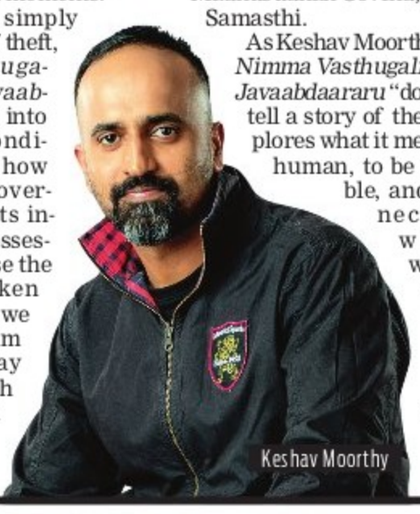
Rather than simply telling a story of theft, *Nimma Vasthugalige Neeve Javaabdaararu* delves into the human condition, revealing how small, often overlooked incidents involving our possessions can expose the larger, unspoken vulnerabilities we carry. "This film blends everyday struggles with the unusual theme of thievery to create an engaging narrative, where themes of possession and insecurity unfold in parallel."

One of the film's standout features is its portrayal of a realistic cosmopolitan city. Shot over 90 days, the film paints a vibrant, authentic picture of modern urban life. "I wanted to show a side of the city that isn't often seen in films—its real, raw beauty," says Moorthy, adding, "The struggles of ordinary people, their hidden fears and desires, all come together in this space."

Beyond his directorial debut, Keshav Moorthy's entrepreneurial spirit shines through in the formation of his home banner, Picture Shop, which has partnered with Native Craft for this project. "We are a closely bonded team with shared goals," Moorthy shares. "Our main objective is to allow complete creative freedom to all those involved."

Keshav Moorthy's commitment to creative freedom extends to the collaborative nature of his team. The film boasts an impressive crew, including Harsha Kumar Gowda as the director of photography, Kubendran as the editor (who also doubles up as a producer), and Magesh Ravindran as another producer. The music is composed by Prasad K Shetty. The cast is led by Dileep Raj, Shilpa Manjunath, Apoorva Bharadwaj, Prasanna Shetty, Madhusudhan Govind, and Hari Samasthi.

As Keshav Moorthy puts it, *Nimma Vasthugalige Neeve Javaabdaararu* "doesn't just tell a story of theft—it explores what it means to be human, to be vulnerable, and to connect to a world where we often feel like we're losing something."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